



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

Remote Meeting via Zoom

For information on how to participate: <https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/council/meeting-agendas-and-minutes>

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

That Council appoint Councillor J. Murl as Chair over the Committee of the Whole meeting.

3. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Lílwat People, known in their language as Lilwat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Skwxwú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

4. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

That Council adopt the Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda of March 5, 2024.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

That Council adopt the Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes of February 20, 2024.

6. **PRESENTATION**

6.1 **2024 Community Enrichment Program**

Presentations by the 2024 Community Enrichment Program Applicants:

1. Whistler Gymnastics Club
2. Sea to Sky Community Services Society
3. Whistler Nordics Ski Club
4. Whistler Sailing Association
5. Whistler Multicultural Society - Multicultural Community Kitchen Program
6. Whistler Multicultural Society - Resilience Whistler Program
7. PearlSpace Support Services Society - Peace Program
8. PearlSpace Support Services Society - Drop-in Program
9. Whistler Sport Legacies Society
10. Whistler Mature Action Community
11. BC Luge Association

12. Axeman Rugby Club
13. Whistler Skating Club
14. Whistler Naturalists - BioBlitz
15. Whistler Naturalists - Fungus Among Us
16. Whistler Naturalists - Bird Studies
17. Whistler Blackcomb Freestyle Ski Club
18. Whistler Singers
19. Whistler Farmers Market
20. Whistler Chamber Music Society
21. Whistler Sea Wolves Swim Club
22. Whistler Youth Soccer Club
23. Whistler Youth Baseball Club
24. Association of Whistler Area Residents for the Environment (AWARE)
25. Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society
26. The Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of BC
27. Whistler Adaptive Sports Program Society
28. Sea to Sky Nordics
29. Zero Ceiling Society of Canada
30. The Point Artist-Run Centre Society
31. Yoga Buggy
32. Whistler Community Services Society
33. The Whistler Writing Society
34. Whistler Valley Quilters' Guild Society
35. Whistler Slo Pitch Association
36. Whistler Field Hockey Club
37. Whistler Wolves Rugby League Football Club
38. Whistler Mountain Ski Club
39. Whistler Independent Supported Housing Society

7. TERMINATION

That Council terminate the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 5, 2024.



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Tuesday, February 20, 2024, 2:00 p.m.
Franz Wilhelmssen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre
4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton
Councillor A. De Jong
Councillor J. Ford
Councillor C. Jewett
Councillor J. Murl

ABSENT: Councillor J. Morden
Councillor R. Forsyth

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Administrative Officer, V. Cullen
General Manager of Corporate Services and Public Safety, T. Battiston
General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey
General Manager of Climate Action, Planning and Development
Services, D. Mikkelsen
General Manager of Community Engagement and Cultural Services,
K. Elliott
Manager of Corporate Projects, M. Comeau
Acting Manager of Legislative Services/ Corporate Officer, C. Hodgson
Senior Communications Officer, J. Brooksbank
Senior Communications Officer, J. Montague
Council Coordinator, P. Mendieta

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Crompton called the Meeting to order.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Moved By: Mayor J. Crompton

Seconded By: Councillor J. Ford

That the Committee of the Whole appoint Councillor C. Jewett as Chair over the Committee of the Whole meeting.

CARRIED

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Chair C. Jewett recognized the Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Lílwat People, known in their language as Lilwat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Skwxwú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By: Mayor J. Crompton

That the Committee of the Whole adopt the Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda of February 20, 2024, as amended to remove Agenda Item 6.1.

CARRIED

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By: Councillor J. Murl

That the Committee of the Whole adopt the Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes of February 6, 2024.

CARRIED

6. PRESENTATION

6.1 Community Engagement Update Report No. 23-023 File No. 4710-02

A presentation was given by Karen Elliott, General Manager of Community Engagement and Cultural Services, regarding the Resort Municipality of Whistler Community Engagement Update.

Moved By: Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By: Councillor A. De Jong

That the Committee of the Whole receive the Community Engagement Update Information Report No. 23-023.

CARRIED

7. TERMINATION

Moved By: Mayor J. Crompton

Seconded By: Councillor J. Murl

That the Committee of the Whole terminate the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 20, 2024, at 2:53 p.m.

CARRIED

Chair, C. Jewett

Acting Corporate Officer, C. Hodgson

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Gymnastics Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S-35701
Organization Mailing Address:	1090 Legacy Way Whistler, BC V8E 0K3
Contact Name & Title:	Marc Davidson - Executive Director
Organization Phone Number:	604-902-3547
Organization Email Address:	info@whistlergymnastics.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To provide excellence in gymnastics activities in a safe and positive environment that fosters lifelong sport participation.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sport

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	38
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	509
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	461
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	327
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	9 Board of Directors, 1 bookkeeper, 6 full time staff, 39 part time coaches and CIT's
Age range of participants in the organization:	12 months to adult

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlergymnastics.com facebook-Oros Whistler Gymnastics Instagram-Whistler_gymnastics
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Programming is open to all community members
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>Plywood for Gym Floor: Safety equipment is crucial for all programs run by Whistler Gymnastics. One of the areas of the gym that requires an upgrade is underneath our gymnastics floor. Our spring gymnastics floor sits on top of a thin layer of rubber matts that were installed as part of the original gym space from the 2010 Winter Olympics. Unfortunatley, the cushioning effect of these rubber pads lessens the springing effect of our floor which results in a less than optimal gym floor. By placing a layer of plywood flooring on top of the rubber matts, our spring floors will provide maximum rebound for increased performance and decreased impact mitigating injury and athlete wear and tear. We are requesting \$3,059.64 to cover the cost of the plywood.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
1. Whistler Summer Classic invitational gymnastics meet in June sold out (380+ spots) in January. 2. Continued offerings of Spring Break camps (sold out) and introduction of Pro D Day Camps and reintroduction of Birthday Parties. 3. Trampoline gymnastics athlete [REDACTED] competed at FIG World Age Group Championships in England in November.	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	1. <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> 2. <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
1. Canada Summer Employment Grant: \$13,899.58 submitted for Summer Camp staff (pending approval). 2. BC Gaming Grant: \$37,700 received 3. WB Foundation: \$2,787.50 received for School Community Outreach (subsidize school groups).	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents your provide in your application			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	\$537,002		
General operations:	\$70,679		
One-time project / program:		\$3,059.64	Plywood for gym floor
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	\$64,000		
Other:			
Total	671,681 \$	3059.64 \$	0.4 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required) <input type="checkbox"/> • Other:	

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing 2. Climate Action 3. Community Engagement 4. Smart Tourism <p>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>Whistler Gymnastics consistently offers programming that "Enrich Community Life" for all interested members of the community. The clun offers a variety of programs for all ages which promote an active lifestyle and help develop physical literacy. As a non-profit organization run by a volunteer Board of Directors, we strive to provide affordable, quality programming.</p> <p>Whistler Gymnastics supports the "Partnering for Success" initiative by hosting community groups such as school and sports clubs in our gym space. Whistler Gymnastics is also in discussion with the Invictus Games on ways for them to possibly use our gym space during the games.</p> <p>Whistler Gymnastics supports the "Enhances the Resort Experience" initiative by hosting national and international high performance athletes who come to Whistler to train and compete.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Whistler Gymnastics does not offer any programming on Truth and Reconciliation Day so that our members and staff can reflect on the day and what Truth and Reconciliation means to them.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Marc Davidson
Phone number:	
Email:	director@whistlergymnastics.com
Acknowledgement:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.
Signature:	

Funding decisions will be announced during a Regular Council Meeting in April 2024.

Please contact the Legislative Services Department at corporate@whistler.ca if you require any assistance.

Personal and third party information provided in this application form is collected under the authority of Section 26(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Should you have any questions regarding the collection, use and disclosure of this information please contact the Legislative and Privacy Coordinator at 604-935-8118 or at 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: (Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)	Sea To Sky Community Services
Name of the program (if applicable):	Whistler Playgroup (formly known as Whistler Parent-tot)
Society Registration Number:	S14102
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 949, Squamish, BC V8B 0A9
Contact Name & Title:	Julie Van Eesteren
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	julie.vaneesteren@sscs.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	SSCS is a valued social service provider for individuals and families living in BC's Sea to Sky Corridor. We create healthy, connected and diverse communities where everyone has the opportunity to grow, develop and lead meaningful lives.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Social Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	since 1978
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	6946
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	530
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	174
Age range of participants in the organization:	birth to seniors

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.sscs.ca https://www.facebook.com/Sea.to.Sky.Community.Services instagram@Sea.to.Sky.Community.Services
What are the membership and participation requirements?	none
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	no

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
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This grant would help pay the wages of the facilitator of this program. The plan for the year is to offer a 2.5 hour playgroup three times a week (Tuesday and Thursday) year round. Cooler months the playgroup runs in the Millar Room at Myrtle Phillip Community Centre and in the warm summer months, the playgroup moves outdoors in one of the local parks. This would equate to approximately 250 hours of playgroup time for Whistler families with young children. We sometimes have guest speakers from other community services attending program and connecting with families.

Playgroups provide parents with an opportunity to learn from one another, to improve their parenting skills and knowledge about their children's needs, and to develop a strong social support network that they can draw on for emotional and practical support when needed. It really is the modern day 'village'. Children who attend playgroups during early childhood have significantly better child development when they start school. The benefits of playgroup are seen across all domains of child development: physical, social, emotional, language and cognitive development, and communication. This is why these programs are so important.

Early childhood experiences profoundly affect later health, education, and employment outcomes. There is a window of opportunity from 0 to 6 when we can get children on a trajectory towards health, education, and employment. Adverse experiences, like low income, poverty, neglect, and food insecurity, cause developmental delays in children and lead to poor future outcomes. The biggest determining factors on a child's early experiences are their parents or primary caregivers. Many Canadian parents don't have the skills, resources, or knowledge they need to provide those nurturing early experiences. This is an upstream program that reduces the need for more expensive interventions. The purpose of this grant is to support the operation of a playgroup in Whistler for families of young children.

This playgroup is run as part of our Child Care Resource and Referral program (CCRR). The Whistler CCRR consultant is the facilitator of the playgroup.

<https://www.sscs.ca/child-care/child-care-resource-and-referral/ccrr-playgroups/>

The Child Care Resource and Referral Program provides an amazing service for the community:

--For parents, we:

- Organize playgroups a great way to spend a morning.
- Connect parents to childcare providers, and other resources and services they might need
- Run a lending library with toys, resource boxes, equipment and books
- Help you access the provincial government's Affordable Child Care Benefit and other funding opportunities to support families

--Provide monthly workshops for parents and educators

For childcare providers, we:

- Help you in your decision to become a Registered License Not Required (RLNR) Care Provider (caring for up to two children other than your own) or a Licensed Family Daycare through Vancouver Coastal Health
- Provide monthly workshops for parents and educators
- Provide bi-monthly network meetings
- Publish a quarterly newsletter

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>The Whistler Playgroup is not a new activity but it has changed and developed from what it has been in the past. It is now called the CCRR Whistler Playgroup (formerly known as The Whistler Parent-tot Program). CCRR (Child Care Resource and Referral) is a provincial program that The Child Care Resource and Referral Program (CCRR) is here to help all parents/guardians and childcare providers in the Corridor. We are making an effort to have a bigger presence in Whistler to offer our services to families.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>There are not many places or opportunities in Whistler for your families to get together regularly like this long-standing program.</p> <p>Here are some quotes from our participants from this past year's survey:</p> <p>██████ is welcoming, knowledgeable and approachable. She provided a different toys and is always interesting in how she can help us and do more.</p> <p>I appreciate the openness and helpful nature of ██████ She is always asking if we need anything or what we would like, and acting upon this.</p> <p>Your staff is beyond supportive, caring, passionate, nurturing and very knowledgeable</p> <p>In a town struggling to keep up with its growing population of young families, these programs are a vital source of support, connection and education.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>The existing funding is through the Child Care Resource and Referral program which is a Ministry of Education program and Sea to Sky Community Services. We are hoping to continue to expand our services and supports to Whistler families and are seeking financial support to do so.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	13923.84	5000	CCRR consultant wages and benefits for playgroup operation only
General operations:	2500		admin, toys and craft supplies, cell, coffee
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	4500	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	20923.84 \$	5000 \$	24 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)

Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.

6. Additional Information:

Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

/Canadian children have increasingly delayed development. One measure of child development is the Early Development Instrument (EDI). The instrument measures five core areas of early child development that are known to be good predictors of adult health, education, and social outcomes. Recent figures estimate that the 28% of Canadian children are vulnerable in one or more areas of development when tested in Kindergarten (CIHI, 2022), up from 26% in 2014 (CIHI, 2014). In BC, rates of vulnerability are higher with 34.6% of children starting school with vulnerabilities in one or more areas that are critical to their health and that trend is increasing (HELP, 2016).

In fact, in Whistler specifically we have seen an increase recently in the percentage of vulnerable children entering the Whistler school system. For more information about this, please visit the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) at the UBC and their EDI dashboard.

<https://dashboard.earlylearning.ubc.ca>

Many children are also facing adverse childhood events that we know lead to developmental delays and poor health. Nearly one in five Canadian children live in poverty (First Call, 2021), with food bank usage even before the pandemic in some parts of the country at its all-time highest with a disproportionate number of users being children (Ghoussoub, 2016). One in three Canadian children experiences physical abuse, sexual abuse, exposure to intimate violence, or a combination of these (Boesveld, 2014). The rates of neglect are likely even higher than that (Trocmé, 2005).

Child Care Resource and referral (CCRR) through playgroups responds to these issues and others by supporting the most vulnerable families to provide the best environments for their children.

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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>The CCRR Whistler Playgroup aligns with the "Enriching Community Life" priority. Playgroups are instrumental and effective in supporting children and their families by helping them feel connected in their community, connecting to resources and services which in turn can support their overall physical, mental and social health.</p>	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

Sea to Sky Community Services' employees, management and Board have, over the life of the organization, contributed by individual or program-based means to the current organizational culture of meaningful intent to pursue Equity, Diversity and Inclusion at all levels of operation. In the fall of 2020, the organization moved beyond intent, beyond these clusters of action, by forming the Diversity Committee. The Committee's first action was to plan monthly meetings to discuss ideas, issues, and most importantly, actions. This committee reviewed and updated the Cultural Diversity Plan, which has evolved into the Cultural Competency, Diversity, and Inclusion Plan. This review led the committee to determine priorities and actions for the coming year. The first phase involved focusing on internal and external communications tools and resources. We began by updating of intake and referral forms, job descriptions, postings and other documentation, making sure that the language in these forms is inclusive. We then shifted the language in our policies and in our external communications (social media, website, etc). This task is still an ongoing process. The committee also began creating and posting inclusive signage on all points of entry: for example, rainbow flags and way-finding for all-gender washrooms.

One year ago, on May 28, 2021, our entire country experienced a reckoning when the Tk'emlups te Secwepemc band in Kamloops, BC was able to present proof, through ground-penetration radar, of the hidden burial of 215 children at the site of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School. An increasing number of additional nations and communities across Canada are using this technology and uncovering this evidence of the harm done to Indigenous children, and the very large scale of that harm. This prompted the Committee to work with Senior Leadership and the Board of Directors on the implementation of several actions:

- The practice of an Indigenous land acknowledgement was integrated into the beginning of all meetings at SSCS.
- Team building days held at the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre, connecting with nations on whose land we work.
- Research was done and guidance was sought to create and implement an agency wide email acknowledgement.
- Orange "Every Child Matters" t-shirts were purchased for every single employee of the organization. Thursday is now orange t-shirt day in the organization.
- Board members and management team held a planning session to review and update the agency Strategic Plan. A collective decision to add a pillar to "build greater diversity and inclusion across the organization" with a specific operational goals to develop an overall agency strategy for this work based on research and best and promising practices in the non-profit environment.
- On September 30th 2021, Truth and Reconciliation Day, we held a virtual ceremony with a moment of silence, and guest speakers from our indigenous communities. We shared resources and information in an email to the entire organization.
- The Executive Director, Associate Director of Service Delivery and the Co-chair of the Diversity Committee enrolled into a year long training called "Transformative Reconciliation" through the Federation of Community Social Services of BC. This training will be complete in October 2022.

While this is difficult work to reckon with, we are glad to report that staff engagement with these initiatives has been impressive. We are encouraged to continue in this work together.

Very soon after the revelation of the childrens' burial site, three of our organizational representatives [REDACTED] attended a previously booked meeting with three respected community leaders from the Squamish Nation [REDACTED]. The intention of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of running a youth program around the carving of a totem pole, which would stand as a welcoming beacon to youth approaching the Foundry Youth Services building. This project, and the learning that it has provided to all involved, has become central to our work in right relations with First Nations partners. [REDACTED] was hired in September of 2022, to take on the Stewardship Officer role. Since joining the SSCS, [REDACTED] has played a key role in guiding relationships with First Nations partners. She has coordinated the Totem Pole project, from the practicality of procuring tools, materials, contracts and locations, to the ceremonial aspects of community engagement with an object of spiritual and symbolic importance. She has worked with the Foundry Indigenous Advisory Committee, building on the strong existing relationship with [REDACTED] (Operations manager of Squamish Valley Operations for Squamish Nation). The ongoing work with this advisory council is giving rise to conversations and planning around future carving programs, an elder-in-support program, indigenous safety planning in our programs and services, and also joining forces when it comes to celebrating successes together.

[REDACTED] also took on the coordination of the Pemberton Food Hub community: a range of organizations and individuals who are all invested in strengthening food security in the northern regions of the Sea to Sky Corridor. Since [REDACTED] joined the SSCS in the fall, in the role of Outreach Manager in Pemberton, the two have worked closely together on strengthening relations with Southern St'at'imx First Nations partners in this region. This work is ongoing, and is happening in parallel with the work that [REDACTED] have been doing in connecting with Lil'wat Nation at the leadership level.

In February 2022, the Diversity Committee received a grant for training all staff on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. An in-house training was created and in May this training began to be delivered to different teams in the organization. This has become an opportunity for team building in addition to training. This grant covers the cost of wages for the staff and Board members to attend the one-hour session and snacks are provided. The goal is to have all employees take this training by fall 2022.

In May of 2022, the Stewardship Officer, [REDACTED] who is also the Co-Chair of the Diversity Committee, attended the Katz Amsterdam Convening conference in Boulder, Colorado, on Racial Justice in Community Organizations serving in mountain resort communities. It was fascinating to meet others from across the American Continent, and to share thoughts on some very familiar circumstances relating to housing and transportation insecurity, immigration status and how that impacts access to services, and other barriers including language and, of course, racism.

In the early Spring of 2022, Jody began to incorporate a new project into her role: the coordinating of the organization's work in Cultural Competency, Diversity and Inclusion. This has helped to guide the work of the Diversity Committee, especially in the design and development of the in-house Diversity training modules. [REDACTED] also took on the work of coordinating Foundry Sea to Sky's Indigenous Advisory Committee. This committee is working on the formulation of an Elders-in-Support program for youth, which will become a model for cultivating Indigenous consultation and right relations throughout the organization. The Stewardship Officer will be working on the development of an organizational audit of key initiatives, activities, relationships, identifying gaps and areas of growth or relationships to restore. Specific to indigenous work rather than the global work of diversity. To do with right relations with FN. I will work with [REDACTED] to make recommendations for the board to consider.

Statement of Diversity

Sea to Sky Community Services Society acknowledges and respects the value of a diverse community. This recognition includes gender, community, language race/ethnicity, culture, family status, age, mental/physical abilities, sexual orientation, religious/spiritual beliefs, socio-economic status and occupational focus. Our mandate is to maintain an environment that is supportive of these elements by promoting inclusion within the organization and the communities we serve. We understand that embracing diversity in the workplace makes for better creativity, acceptance, tolerance, and innovation. It also broadens the range of knowledge, skills, and abilities of our staff members. Better decisions can be made based on culturally diverse perspectives. Our focus on cultural competency and diversity will enable us to improve our ability to provide culturally sensitive services to the individuals we serve.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Nordics Ski Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S0046776
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 591, Whistler, BC, V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Adrienne Bouris, Executive Administrator
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	admin@whistlernordics.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	The Whistler Nordics Ski Club is a not for profit cross country ski club dedicated to making cross country skiing available to all members of the community.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	21
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	227
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	105
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	168
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	Board of Directors - 7 Staff - 4 Volunteers - 20
Age range of participants in the organization:	5 - 73

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Website: www.whistlernordics.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/WhistlerNordics/ Instagram: whistlernordics_bc
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Club registration is open to anyone - \$7 for youth and \$16 for adults. To participate in one of our programs or events, participants must be a club member or a member of Cross Country BC & Nordiq Canada.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No. Facilities we have access to are either paid or based on agreements related to our capital investments to the facilities.

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>Whistler Nordics Ski Club is requesting funding from the 2024 CEP grant to support the following priorities: coaching and coordination our cross-country ski programs for youth and masters and the coordination and administration of our community events, including the Toonie Ski Series and the Cheryl Morningstar Lost Lake Loppet. Whistler Nordics Ski Club operates within the RMOW recreation and sport category.</p> <p>One focus of the CEP grant is to support coaching and coordination of our youth and masters programs. Collectively these programs reached more than 175 members this season. Whistler Nordics Ski Club proudly provides programs for youth ages 4 - 16 and adults.</p> <p>Youth programs include the Coast Corridor United Team (CCU) and the Skill Development Program (SDP). Over the past 20 years the Skill Development Program has delivered programs to hundreds of Whistler youth. The program is aligned with Sport Canada and Nordiq Canada's Long Term Athlete Development Pathway (LTAD). We provide season long programs at both Lost Lake and Whistler Olympic Park, with Lost Lake proving to be the more popular location. The CCU Team is a collaboration between 3 regional clubs to create a performance-focused cohort for U12 to U16 aged racers to represent the regional locally and at away races. The vision is to create a strong cohort, higher level coaching, and a clear athlete development pathway within the corridor. The program grew from 5 to 15 athletes this year and athletes are achieving great results with 4 athletes selected for the BC Winter Games.</p> <p>Nordiq Canada now requires coaches for children aged 12 to complete additional levels of training for next season and we anticipate additional costs related to training and coaches.</p> <p>Our Masters program provides skill development for recreational and performance skiers at both Whistler Olympic Park and new this year, Lost Lake. For the first time in many years we offered Masters programming at Lost Lake and registration proved popular. With the current trail closure this program pivoted where possible to Whistler Olympic Park. We plan to build upon the small pilot this year with the help of additional coordination and securing additional adult focused coaches.</p> <p>The second focus of the CEP grant is to support the coordination and administration of our annual community events including the annual Ski Swap, Toonie Ski Series and the Cheryl Morningstar Lost Lake Loppet. These events provide social connection, promote cross-country skiing within the local community and encourage elements of a healthy lifestyle. They add to the vibrancy of the Lost Lake trails system and create an authentic feel for visitors to the area.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>Youth and masters programs and community events are existing programs. The goals of these programs are to introduce cross-country skiing skill development and create social connection. Our programs and events provide activities for our members to help them learn cross-country ski skills and to instill a life-long interest in the sport.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>2024 Toonie Ski Series: winter ski series, social connection and recreation benefits *2024 Cheryl Morningstar Lost Lake Loppet: annual cross country ski event, social connection and recreation benefits in memory of longtime local Cheryl Morningstar who started our children's programs *(this event will be hosted at Callaghan Country due to the Lost Lake closure) 2023-24 Youth Programs: season long skill development program, social connection and recreation benefits to youth ages 4-16 2023-24 Masters Program: season long skill development program for adults, social connection and recreation benefits Whistler Nordics Community events: Valley Glides Whistler Museum Speaker Series, Ski Swap, Teck Regional Snow Camp, volunteer support for 3 regional and 2 provincial races at Whistler Olympic Park. Whistler Nordics current alumni athletes competing nationally and internationally: [REDACTED] (NCAA Champion), [REDACTED] (National Biathlon Team)</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>2023 - RMOW CEP Grant - \$ 4,000 2023 - Province of BC Gaming Grant - \$ 9,750 2024 - Annual Whistler Nordics Ski Swap - \$ 1,500 2024 - Kal Tire - \$ 1,500 2024/25 - Nordiq Canada Assistant Coach \$5,000/year 2024 - Online Auction - \$ 2,000</p> <p>Not approved : 2023 Gaming grant \$9,000 - Coach grant not approved</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents you provide in your application			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	60500	6000	Coaching, program and event administration
General operations:	68860	0	
One-time project / program:	0	0	
Physical assets:	2000	0	
Rent (RMOW facilities):	0	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	300	0	
Other:	0	0	
Total	\$ 131660	\$ 6000	<u>4.56</u>% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>As mentioned earlier in the application, Nordiq Canada has increased mandatory coaching qualifications for coaches, and specific coach to athlete ratios which dictates the required certified coaches for our programs. This makes it more costly to train new coaches, provide higher level training to our existing coaches and hire qualified coaches to coach our high performance programs. We continue to receive a grant from Nordiq Canada to fund our Head Coach for the club.</p> <p>Whistler Nordics continues to recruit and train a variety of coaches to support our programming needs. These coaches include BC Team coaches, local high performance athletes, parents with skiing knowledge, high school students and adults looking to help support the community. Every year we support coach development with certification, leadership skills and part time work. Maintaining a roster of paid coaches increases retention, supports youth employment and delivers a quality program experience.</p> <p>The administrative costs, insurance costs and fees include securing the use of buildings and trails for races and events as well as the time and cost for promoting across multiple social media and print media platforms.</p>	

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required) <input type="checkbox"/> • Other:	

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing 2. Climate Action 3. Community Engagement 4. Smart Tourism <p>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>Whistler Nordics addresses the 'Community Engagement' priority as our club aims to bring community members together in a number of different ways. Through our skill development programs we reach hundreds of locals every season. Whistler Nordics works to create a sense of belonging for its members by bringing together people with a similar interest and providing opportunities to socialise and recreate within organised activities. Specifically the club supports this priority with our youth programs, adults programs, Toonie Ski Series, Cheryl Morningstar Lost Lake Loppet and collaborating with other clubs in the region with ongoing camps and programming.</p> <p>In addition to the 'Community Engagement' priority Whistler Nordics Ski Club supports the Smart Tourism priority encouraging locals and visitors to explore our unique natural assets at Lost Lake and Whistler Olympic Park. Community promotion is done through a number of social media channels and our community events are open to everyone (membership purchase required!). We also support six events (1 youth training weekend and 5 races) throughout the year that bring 1,400 participants and volunteers (combined) to Whistler.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>At the moment we have created a land acknowledgment on our website and over the past year we've worked with the Xet ́ólacw Community School staff to help arrange for access to low cost cross-country ski gear for their ski program.</p>

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Sailing Association
Name of the program (if applicable):	Kids & Youth Sailing Program
Society Registration Number:	S-0054286
Organization Mailing Address:	6468 Balsam Way, Whistler, BC, V8E 0C5
Contact Name & Title:	Francois Hebert , General Manager or Patrick McCurdy, President
Organization Phone Number:	604 229 2291 or 604 932 7782
Organization Email Address:	info@whistlersailing.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Our purpose is to promote sailing by offering affordable Learn to Sail courses for all ages and abilities.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	15
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	442 members, 354 youth, 88 adults 563 participants or 2318 "Sailor days" **1 youth in a 5 day camp= 5 sailor days.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	354
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	204 full time Whistler Residents. ** Its worth noting that a large proportion of the 125 Vancouver based families that book our sailing camps are own 2nd homes in Whistler.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	7 volunteer board members, 1 general manager/sailing director, 1 Head Coach, 14 instructors.
Age range of participants in the organization:	5-85yrs

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	whistlersailing.com https://www.facebook.com/whistlersailing
What are the membership and participation requirements?	basic membership is required to take part in adult programs and start at \$20 for the year. Racing memberships or Season Pass Membership require sailing experience in order to be able to use the club boats.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	no

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>We are submitting an application for funding to procure 12 new Jib sails intended for our fleet of Pirate Sailboats. The Jib, situated at the front of the vessel, is the smaller of the two sails on this vessel.</p> <p>The Pirate Sailboat plays a pivotal role in the day-to-day operations of Whistler Sailing and is a key component of our Discover Sailing Program. This program is tailored for school groups, offering local students an introduction to the art of sailing. Financial assistance from the CEP would significantly contribute to maintaining affordable costs for participating students.</p> <p>12 New Jib Sails \$4320</p> <p>Our intention is to allocate a portion of the CEP funding to cover wages to conduct fiberglass repairs to the Pirate Sailboats to keep them afloat. The recruitment of an additional staff member is imperative for effectively executing repairs and maintenance tasks, with an estimated labor requirement of 80 hours equating to approximately \$2900</p> <p>Total Ask \$7220</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>In 2023, Whistler Sailing's Summer Camps for children and youth garnered considerable attendance, underscoring the organization's popularity and appeal. Whistler Sailing is dedicated to providing accessible sailing opportunities for all community members while fostering a vibrant local sailing community. Alta Lake, characterized by its consistent winds, stands out as an optimal setting for learning to sail. The lake's smaller expanse contributes to building the confidence of novice sailors. WSA's programs are centered on key values such as learning, team building, and sportsmanship. Moreover, the organization actively contributes to the community by delivering high-quality programs tailored for young children, instilling skills with enduring benefits.</p> <p>The strategic utilization of the "Old Youth Hostel" site ensures a pristine and family-friendly facility with water access, shared collaboratively with the community. WSA maintains responsibility for all docks on the north side of the property, adjacent to Cabin 2 and Cabin 3, in partnership with RMOW.</p> <p>A notable testament to the effectiveness of WSA's programs is the successful transition of six youths from volunteer roles to certified and compensated Instructors through mentorship. The Whistler Regatta held at the end of August in the previous year achieved considerable success, drawing participation from over 82 individuals across British Columbia.</p> <p>Additionally, the Discover Sailing program, which had experienced a hiatus during the pandemic, recommenced in 2023, accommodating 82 students from grades 6 to 10 from Whistler and Squamish. This resumption marks a significant milestone in the continued success and community impact of Whistler Sailing.</p>	

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<p>In January 2024 we applied for the Canada Summer Jobs program to help us support 3 Sailing Instructor positions.</p> <p>Our annual fundraiser will take place in early April this year. For the first time we will use an online platform to host an auction and 50/50 draw to raise funds.</p> <p>We will be applying for a Community BC Gaming grant in May 2024</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	176,803	2,900	Labor for boat Repairs
General operations:	18,800		
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:		4,320	New Sails
Rent (RMOW facilities):	7,200	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:	17,437		Boat repairs, maintenance, bank service fees , office expense.
Total	\$ 220,240	\$ 7,220	3.2 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budgetamount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

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Thank you for your support.	

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>2) Whistler Sailing Association (WSA) is dedicated to addressing the local priority of climate action by advocating for a sustainable and environmentally friendly sport. Embracing wind power, sailing inherently boasts a remarkably low carbon footprint. In line with our commitment to environmental responsibility, WSA is actively engaged in converting gasoline motorized coach boats to electric propulsion. Our objective is to achieve the distinction of being the first carbon-neutral sailing school in Canada. With support from the Whistler Blackcomb Foundation environmental fund, WSA has successfully converted two vessels in our fleet, marking significant strides toward our sustainability goals.</p> <p>3)Community engagement:Whistler Sailing Association (WSA) places a high priority on community engagement, and its growth has been fostered organically through collaborative efforts within the community. By bringing together like-minded individuals, WSA establishes a shared sense of purpose through friendship, educational pursuits, and healthy competition. This approach encourages active participation, support, and the development of a profound sense of belonging among community members. The cooperative approach involves crucial support from entities such as the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) for site access, the Community Enhancement Program (CEP) grant, donations from local businesses during our annual fundraiser, and assistance from the Whistler Blackcomb Foundation for select capital expenditures, among others. Notably, our youth-focused sailing programs have made a lasting impact on the younger members of the community.</p> <p>4)Whistler Sailing Association (WSA) actively contributes to the smart tourism strategy by preserving and protecting Whistler's unique culture, natural assets, and infrastructure. As part of this initiative, WSA has established an additional water access point to Alta Lake to increase dispersion, refurbishing and re-purposing some old cabins on the site now known as the "Pointe" to serve as a sailing center. These historic buildings, nearly 60 years old, are among the oldest in Whistler. WSA collaborated with the Whistler Museum to provide an informational board at the site, educating residents about its historic significance and the longstanding tradition of sailing on Alta Lake.</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>This is not currently a significant priority at Whistler Sailing and there is room for improvement. We have considered offering a program for introduce high school age students from the community school in Mt Currie.</p> <p>There is an opportunity for us to be more inclusive, and provide land acknowledgment at events,gatherings and also on our website.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Multicultural Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	Multicultural Community Kitchens
Society Registration Number:	S0072648
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 425, Whistler, V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Yami Yeung, Multicultural Outreach Worker
Organization Phone Number:	604.935.8798
Organization Email Address:	info@wmsociety.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	WMS' mission is to support immigrants and newcomers to thrive and be resilient, to build awareness and understanding of local diversity and equity, and to grow a voice and presence for newcomers and immigrants in our community.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Community & Social Services

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	10 yrs as a community group, incorporated in 2020 (14 years)
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	In current fiscal (from April 2023) 1320 members of online communities, 138 volunteers, and 2,747 participants total YTD
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	N/A
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	1045 active members and followers.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	Volunteer board and executive of 7, 2 full time and 5 part time staff: managing director, administrative services & multicultural outreach and migrant worker support workers
Age range of participants in the organization:	All ages are actively encouraged to participate.

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://wms.wmsociety.ca ; https://www.facebook.com/whistlermulticultural ; https://www.instagram.com/whistlermulticultural ; https://kids.culturecamps.ca https://food.wmsociety.ca
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Programing participation, volunteering, and membership of closed online community constitutes membership. Participation is open for all with the exception of any programing funded by, and having participation criteria from, the federal/provincial governments.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>In 2024-25 the funds we are requesting from the RMOW would cover costs to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) continue development of the MCK website (food.wmsociety.ca) to increase opportunities for community members to share information on and ideas about multicultural food. b) implement after school and Pro D Day multicultural camps (now that we have been able to find suitable, and available, locations) that extend the opportunity for local school-aged children and local immigrants to meet, share, and experience different cultures, with a focus around food. c) ensure continued accessibility of the 2024 weeklong multicultural summer camp, as well as after school and ProD day camps, to all families who wish to participate. Recognition and fair compensation for cultural ambassadors who facilitate the multicultural camps matched with camp fees at accessible levels is a core value of this program and ensures maximum reach into the community. <p>After consolidation, and reestablishment of in-person programing, in 2024-2025, we plan a year of expansion for the MCK program. We will continue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ongoing in-person monthly Multicultural Community Kitchen sessions supported by an online portal offering registration, stories about our volunteer chefs, recipes, and a place to exchange cultural food experiences - annual week-long multicultural summer day camp offering experience of 5 different cultures with local facilitators, focusing around food, their own cultural heritage: their language, games, crafts, music, song, and dance. <p>We will add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a 5-weeks multicultural after-school camp - 3 (one-)day multicultural Pro- D day camps - partnerships with local businesses and organizations wherever possible and appropriate <p>In particular, we are requesting funding to cover:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) salary for the Multicultural Outreach Worker for program development 2) contribution to salary for multicultural summer camp, after school camp, and Pro-D day camp cultural ambassadors & helpers 3) contribution to camp supplies, food, and marketing 	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No, this will be the 9th year of the program. In 2024-25, providing regular opportunities for immigrants and community members to meet and interact over food remains the key deliverable while we explore new/additional ways to create intercultural dialogue and understanding.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Whistler Multicultural Society (WMS) works to build equitable community. While our primary focus is on working with newcomers and immigrants, our work on diversity, equity, and anti-racism necessarily touches on many parts of our local community. Our programs seek to inform, orientate, and support vulnerable newcomers and immigrants. By providing training, volunteering, and cultural sharing activities we provide opportunities and build capacity within minority groups to participate more fully in our local community, while at the same time creating an environment to bring community members together, to grow local awareness, understanding and capacity to welcome and leverage diversity. Our Resilience program aims to generate positive and action-oriented dialogue, to support community members in building a more equitable community, and especially to engage equity-challenged individuals in that dialogue.</p>	

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<p>Funding which includes support for community capacity building and connections programming: SMART Fund, Vancouver Coastal Health - confirmed BC Community Gaming Grant - confirmed</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	\$17609.45	\$6151.90	Staff salaries and contract staff (cultural ambassadors)
General operations:	\$4400.00	\$1650.00	Supplies, marketing, publicity
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	\$1754.95	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	\$160.00		
Other:			
Total	23924.40 \$	7801.90 \$	32.6 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

Please see the Multicultural Community Kitchen project plan, detailed budget, and the Whistler Multicultural Society overview attached.

A core value for WMS is equity of access. The program pays local immigrants and racialized individuals (cultural ambassadors) to develop and deliver an experience of their culture and food; to adults via the multicultural community kitchens, and to children aged 7-12 (and their families) through multicultural camps. While WMS is working towards full cost recovery through fees, the actual costs involved in delivery while we grow awareness and participation levels, mean that full cost coverage would make the camps inaccessible to many local families. Additionally, while multicultural community kitchens are largely self-sufficient, staff costs for further development of the program are important.

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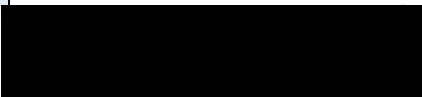
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<p>This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it increases and provides alternative opportunities for community engagement, especially for diverse and visible minorities. Additionally, it connects locals to each other, and newcomers to locals. In Whistler, we’ve seen a lot of newcomers and immigrants arrive in the last year, especially since the pandemic. The Whistler community is changing fast, growing in diversity, and with increasing visible minorities, the influx driven largely by economic needs.</p> <p>This program focuses on building awareness and understanding of local diversity and brings members of the community together to discover and value each other’s skills, knowledge, and values over food. Equally, it provides meaningful opportunities for diverse community members to participate in, and to bring their cultures, knowledge, values, and skills to, their adopted community. By doing this, the program aims to create a greater sense of belonging for newcomers, greater connections between newcomers and community, and a greater understanding of our local cultural richness which in turn grows an appreciation of how that diversity benefits all members of the community. By partnering with other well established community organizations, we are able to deliver more viable, versatile and successful programs that reach a much wider audience with increased community engagement opportunities.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>WMS actively seeks input from local indigenous individuals within the Resilience Whistler and Sea to Sky anti-racism program. Through our monthly Resilience newsletter, we actively support building of knowledge and awareness of the need for, and circulate information about local, provincial and country-wide tools, and opportunities to engage about, truth and reconciliation. In particular we seek to build greater allyship through the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre and to raise awareness of the work they are doing and the educational opportunities they offer. In 2023, we had discussions with the SLCC to partner on our multicultural summer camp program but unfortunately we were unable to do so, due to timing and lack of ambassador availability. This year, it is our hope that broadening the day camp program to ProD days will enable us to work together.</p>

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Multicultural Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	Resilience Whistler
Society Registration Number:	S0072648
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 425, Whistler, V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Jade Eberhard, Coordinator Resilience Whistler
Organization Phone Number:	604.935.8798
Organization Email Address:	info@wmsociety.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	WMS' mission is to support immigrants and newcomers to thrive and be resilient, to build awareness and understanding of local diversity and equity, and to grow a voice and presence for newcomers and immigrants in our community.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Community & Social Services

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	10 yrs as a community group, incorporated in 2020 (14 years)
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	In current fiscal (from April 2023) 1320 members of online communities, 138 volunteers, and 2,747 participants total YTD
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	N/A
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	1045 active members and followers in Whistler
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	Volunteer board and executive of 7, 2 full time and 5 part time staff: managing director, administrative services & multicultural outreach and migrant worker support workers
Age range of participants in the organization:	All ages are actively encouraged to participate.

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://wms.wmsociety.ca https://www.facebook.com/whistlermulticultural https://www.instagram.com/whistlermulticultural
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Programing participation, volunteering, and membership of closed online community constitutes membership. Participation is open for all with the exception of any programing funded by, and having participation criteria from, the federal/provincial governments.
<p>Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason.</p> <p><u>Note</u>: Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)</p>	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>In 2024-25, the funds we are requesting from the RMOW would enable WMS Resilience Whistler to continue the anti-racism work it has undertaken over the last 3 years. It will fund continued activities to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) provide opportunities to build cultural competency through cultural sharing and intercultural activities for the whole community. b) share the contributions of the IBPOC community in the Sea to Sky corridor. c) grow understanding of the importance of having and welcoming diversity in our community d) engage the local IBPOC community and its allies in providing feedback and guidance on resilience programming based on their personal and lived experiences with racism and discrimination e) provide support to community members and other stakeholders working to eliminate racism and hate crimes in Whistler by continuing to circulate (via monthly newsletter) regular information and updates, resources, videos, and information on workshops and other training opportunities and linking Whistler residents to anti-racism work/initiatives in other communities. f) develop and execute public community engagements, workshops, educational and culture sharing events. <p>For full details of planned activities in Whistler, please see the attached Outcome Measurement Framework for the 2024-25 Resilience Sea to Sky project.</p> <p>Specifically, funding is requested to support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - additional salary for Resilience Coordinator - materials and honoraria for the Whistler IBPOC advisory group, and community dialogue - costs of Whistler IBPOC storytelling gathering and distributing 	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No, this will be the fourth year of the program. The focus of this program is twofold - supporting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IBPOC locals firstly to find safe place(s) in which they are able to share their lived experiences as the basis of driving initiatives to create greater equality, acceptance, and celebration of diversity. - non-racialized community members along their learning path(s) about all forms of racism, how it manifests itself locally, and their personal discovery of anti-racism actions and stances 	

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<p>Funding which includes support for Resilience Whistler anti-racism programming:</p> <p>Canadian Heritage CSMARI (Community Support, Multiculturalism and Anti-Racism Initiatives)</p> <p>BC Community Gaming Grants</p>	

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Salaries/contracts:	\$34066.63	\$5969.31	Staff (project coordinator, program management) & consultancy
General operations:	\$9530	\$2490	Honoraria for speakers, advisory committee, hospitality, publicity, media, web development
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	\$975	-	Space for advisory committee and community dialogues
Other:			
Total	\$ 44571.63	\$ 8459.31	19 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
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This job requires a lot of time and effort from both the staff and community members, whether they are part of the IBPOC community or not. The goal is to make sure that trust, confidentiality, and the safety of people's mental and physical well-being are protected. We appreciate the support from the RMOW council as we work on creating strong connections and understanding within the community. This will help everyone better respond to instances of racism, discrimination, and bias that may occur locally.

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SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Name of the program (if applicable):	PEACE Whistler
Society Registration Number:	S-16716
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 2052 Squamish, BC V8B 0B
Contact Name & Title:	Shana Murray, Community Program Directo
Organization Phone Number:	604.892.5748
Organization Email Address:	smurray@pearlspace.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To provide crisis intervention, support, an advocacy for women and children in the community who are experiencing violence and adversity.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Community Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	42 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	PearlSpace has 80 active members. As of December 2023 the Whistler Drop-In Center supported 413 adults, 233 children and youth, 8 women and 11 children for a total of 18 bed nights for our Whistler Safe Home Program / Hotel Stays, and 9 women and 11 children through our Pemberton Safe Home for a total of 129 bed nights, 138 adults and 132 children through our Homeless Prevention Program, and 143 individuals through our Northern Community Outreach Services were supported.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	NA
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	13 local staff and board members local to Whistler
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	28 active volunteers, including 10 board members, and 57 paid staff members.
Age range of participants in the organization:	0 - 80

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.facebook.com/PearlSpaceSociety; www.instagram.com/pearlspacecommunity/ website: pearlspace.ca
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Anyone can become a volunteer or become a member of PearlSpace (annual membership \$20, \$5 low-barrier fee). Anyone identifying as a woman, trans, Two-Spirit, or non-binary and all children requiring services can participate in all programs and services at no cost and we encourage fathers to participate in the counselling program. We support all people within our Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Program.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

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<p>The PEACE (Prevention, Education, Advocacy, Counselling, and Empowerment) Program offers individual and group support and counselling services to children, youth and their families in Whistler and Pemberton who have experienced violence/abuse in the home and/or high conflict through separation and divorce. The PEACE Program is funded through the Public Safety and Solicitor General for 17.5 hours per week for both Whistler and Pemberton. What we have found in the last 8 years is the need is much greater for PEACE Program Counselling services than what we can offer within 17.5 hours. Our goal is to be able to maintain a 0 or minimal waitlist so that children and youth do not have to wait for service, we know that when people reach out for support, there is often a window of opportunity where engagement is optimal. The \$12,000 funded by the RMOW will go towards approx. 7.5 hours of counsellor wages and benefits per week. In addition, to meet the growing needs of the two communities the PearlSpace has made the decision to fund an additional 13 hours per week from our Social Enterprise so we can offer a total of 38 hours per week. We feel that this will allow us to maintain a 0 or minimal waitlist that will best support the needs to children, youth and their families within Whistler and Pemberton.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
This is not a new program or activity.	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Last year (April 2022 - Dec 2023), the PEACE Program in Whistler/Pemberton supported children and youth through 122 hours of individual counselling sessions, 91 hours of support groups, 52 parent/caregiver support hours, and 32 family counselling hours. Through the PEACE program, children and youth learn how to identify hard to handle feelings and how to express them in healthy ways, recognize their strengths, and increase their self-confidence and self-esteem. They learn effective problem solving and coping skills, how to define and protect boundaries, how to keep themselves safe and to identify safe and supportive people in their life, and better understand the concept of healthy relationships. Most importantly, children are provided with a safe, supportive, nurturing environment to deal with traumatic events in their lives and learn that they are not alone and not at fault for the conflict/abuse they have witnessed and experienced. Parents/caregivers are involved in the counselling process by learning skills and tools that will enable them to support their child/ren through difficulties associated with separation, divorce and gender-based violence.</p>	

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<p>Ministry of Public Safety and Solisiter General - \$58,696.56 RMOW CEP Grant - \$12,000 (pending) General donations - \$ 2,100 (pending)</p>	

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General operations:	7462.00		
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	4486.73	N/A	Rent, insurance,
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:	2675.51		Accounting and audit, bank charges, equipment lease costs
Total	95,153.66 \$	12,000 \$	<u>12</u> % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
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If successful, PearlsSpace will work towards supporting all children, youth and families who request support through PEACE counselling. We anticipate supporting 50 to 70 children and 15 to 20 parents. If we are not successful in receiving this grant, the PEACE program will have to adapt counselling hours to align with the funding available which may result in not being able to support as many children, youth, and families. Many families seek PearlSpace services because it is free of charge and they cannot afford other options in the community that charge a fee for service. This means that families will have to wait on a waitlist until they can be seen.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope that you will consider supporting our essential community program again this year.

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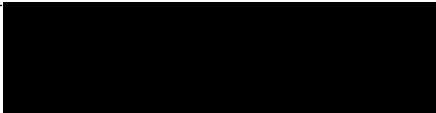
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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Name of the program (if applicable):	Whistler Drop-In Center
Society Registration Number:	S-16716
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 2052 Squamish, BC, V8B 0B4
Contact Name & Title:	Shana Murray, Community Program Director
Organization Phone Number:	604.892.5748
Organization Email Address:	smurray@pearlspace.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To provide crisis intervention, support and advocacy for women, two spirit, gender-diverse, non-binary, trans people, children and youth who are experiencing violence and adversity.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Community Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	42
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	PearlSpace has 80 active members. As of December 2023 the Whistler Drop-In Center supported 413 adults, 233 children and youth, 8 women and 11 children for a total of 18 bed nights for our Whistler Safe Home Program / Hotel Stays, and 9 women and 11 children through our Pemberton Safe Home for a total of 129 bed nights, 138 adults and 132 children through our Homeless Prevention Program, and 143 individuals through our Northern Community Outreach Services were supported.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	na
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	13 local staff and board members local to Whistler.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	28 active volunteers, including 10 board members and 57 paid staff members.
Age range of participants in the organization:	0 - 80

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.facebook.com/PearlSpaceSociety; www.instagram.com/pearlspacesociety/; website: pearlspace.ca
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Anyone can become a volunteer or become a member of PearlSpace Support Services Society (annual membership \$20 or \$5 low-barrier fee). Anyone identifying as a woman, trans, two-spirit, or non-binary and all children requiring services at no cost and we encourage fathers to participate in counselling program. We support people within our Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Program.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

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<p>This grant will support the Whistler Drop-In Centre, a PearlSpace Support Services program. Grant funds will allow PearlSpace to operate four days a week of drop-in services and a day a week of outreach, as an additional outreach and meeting with clients outside of the office hours. PearlSpace Whistler Drop-In support and outreach are promoted at both the Whistler & Pemberton libraries, the Whistler Health Clinics, and throughout the community in Sea to Sky.</p> <p>We offer safe, confidential support services to vulnerable women, trans, non-binary, two-spirit, and other diverse-gender individuals and children, particularly those experiencing high conflict, violence, or abuse. Grant funds allow for the delivery of existing and new programming to support diversity and various workshops. These funds allow us to support various programming and workshops to reach more women and children in our community including but not limited to: karma yoga, mindful movement, art therapy, free baby clothes, harm reduction kits, menstrual products, hot lunch, and various support groups and circles. We continue to evolve to meet the needs of our growing community to address the unique situations and barriers in Sea to Sky by providing emotional support and referral drop-in services, the homeless prevention program, transportation and emergency food supports, affordable housing units, as well as operating safe homes in Pemberton and Whistler for women and children experiencing violence.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>The Whistler Drop-In Centre is an established program of PearlSpace Support Services Society, however, with the increased rates of gender-based violence seen during and after the pandemic, PearlSpace is expanding its services including a new safe home in Whistler. Our Transition House in Squamish has been at full capacity in 2023. PearlSpace has also started gender-diverse and inclusion work to better support trans, two-spirit and non-binary survivors of gender-based violence, one of the many reasons we changed our name to better serve our community. We will continue to expand our services to reflect the unique needs of those who come to us in the community with diverse backgrounds, experiences and needs.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p><small>PearlSpace offers clients confidential, non-judgmental support, community referrals, access to resources, advocacy and systemic guidance from our trauma-informed, safe space. Our programming focuses on:</small></p> <p><small>1. Emergency Transition Housing: In the absence of emergency transition housing in Whistler, PearlSpace is a direct link to accessing emergency safe housing at Pearls Place Transition House in Squamish and Pearls Safe Home in Pemberton, and offers outreach support, advocacy, counselling and referrals to other resources to mitigate the effects of gender-based violence and intimate Partner Violence.</small></p> <p><small>2. Community Outreach: PearlSpace staff continue to provide individual outreach supports by meeting women in the community with safety measures in place.</small></p> <p><small>3. Sexual Assault Support and Prevention: PearlSpace offers sexual assault education and prevention as well as front-line support for survivors, and participates in advocacy awareness and education initiatives for the service industry in Whistler in addition to providing Third Party reporting services for sexual assaults in the community.</small></p> <p><small>4. Access to necessities for clients and their children: PearlSpace provides practical items such as gently used clothing, books, toys, personal care products, food, and other necessities at no cost to anyone in need in the community. In addition, these items are delivered when individuals cannot access the drop-in centre.</small></p> <p><small>5. Homeless Prevention Program (HPP): This program provides rental subsidies for survivors fleeing abusive relationships or at risk of homelessness in the area. PearlSpace staff has seen an increased need for this service.</small></p> <p><small>6. Navigating the Legal System and Family Justice: The WWC can help women, trans, non-binary, Two-Spirit, and other gender-diverse survivors understand their legal rights when facing abuse or separation and provide referrals to legal supports. PearlSpace offers a safe and private meeting space for survivors to meet with other agencies and law enforcement personnel as well as providing confidential support and referrals for clients who are suffering from physical, emotional, and mental health challenges.</small></p>	

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GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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General operations:	14050.00	5000	Client travel, staff travel, client food and grocery vouchers, administrative expenses
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	13424.00	N/A	Rent, insurance, repairs and maintenance
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:	2709.26		Admin costs: accounting and audit costs, bank charges, equipment lease
Total	\$ 121903.28	\$ 18000	<u>14.77</u> % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
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Name of the program (if applicable):	Active After School Club
Society Registration Number:	S 51925
Organization Mailing Address:	1080 Legacy Way, Whistler BC, V8E 0K3
Contact Name & Title:	Tami Mitchell, Manager Sport Development
Organization Phone Number:	604-964-0031
Organization Email Address:	tmitchell@whistlersportlegacies.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	WSL's Mission is to grow sport through programs that are inclusive, safe, welcoming and develops competent and confident participants. As well as, provide professional development, coach certification, and resources for coaches.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and sports, community service and arts and Culture.

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	14
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	Multi sport programs 260 children and youth 3500 recreational community members between all 3 WSL venues. Nordic skiing, sliding sports and whistler athlete centre.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	1440
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	70% of all members and participants are whistler.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	40 volunteers, 7 directors, 7 senior leadership team members, 50 full time staff, 65 seasonal staff.
Age range of participants in the organization:	0-89 years depending on activity and venues.

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	New; facebook: Legacy Sport Club Insta: WhistlerLegacySportClub
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Fee for service programs. No membership. Anyone can participate.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No outstanding debts VIK includes the not for profit youth rate for the spring creek gym rental and AVJ turf field.

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<p>New this year were expanding the Active After School Club to include grade 3's due to the success of the program.</p> <p>Funding Request:</p> <p>1) Active After School Club for Kindergarten - Grade 3's. Ecole Spring Creek Community Centre 2 of 4 coaches wages= 3.5 hrs/week, \$31.50, 36 weeks X2= \$7938.00</p> <p>2) Multi-Sport Program spot holder for Multi Sport Summer Camps. 2 spots for 7 camps. \$340X14 = \$ 4760.00. Partnering with Whistler Communtiy Services to provide Whistler Sport Legacies of families with kids summer camp ages. 2 kids per camp.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No!</p> <p>But our target goal is to keep program cost for active after school, status quo for families at the same time increase the hourly rate for coaches, to help keep high quality coaches working for WSL for 3.5 hours a week for the after school program.</p> <p>And to allow more families who wouldn't sign their children up for summer camp, an opportunity for their kids to participate in a multi sport program at no cost.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Definitely the addition of a new Active After School Club Leader who comes with a passion of working with kids who have invisible disabilities.</p> <p>The ongoing development partnership with Whistler community services, local sport organizations and the Canadian Sport Institute.</p> <p>The request to provide programming for 8 years olds in the after school club.</p> <p>Increased participants with disabilities in all programs WSL provides.</p>	

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<p>Canadian Tire Jumpstart: \$13,600- pending</p> <p>viaSports- community development- \$2000- unsuccessful</p> <p>Canada Summer Jobs- \$4800- pending</p> <p>ParticipACTION Community Challenge- \$2000- pending</p> <p>Whistler Community Foundation- missed deadline this year, will try again next.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	13,968	7938	After school club program leaders. Increasing 2 leaders to 4 leaders.
General operations:	7,200		program supplies, uniforms, certificates, advertising
One-time project / program:	0	4760	Spot holders for WCS families who can't afford summer camp for their children
Physical assets:	\$4000		New this year trailer, wheelchairs, sport equipment, adaptive equipment, fitness equipment, office
Rent (RMOW facilities):	\$4,700	N/A	Spring cree community school, AVJ field, MPCS field
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:	800.00		in house summer camp leader.
Total	30,688.00 \$	12,698 \$	41 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

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We can maintain program costs similar to RMOW's after-school care rates while ensuring our staff receive a fair hourly wage, even with their limited weekly hours of 3.5 due to the financial help of the CEP Grant.

Collaborating with Whistler Community Services allows us to extend a warm welcome to families, whether they're newcomers to Whistler or longtime residents facing financial challenges due to rising costs. Through partnerships like the CEP Grant program, we can provide children with enriching summer camp experiences, fostering community engagement and support for families in need.

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<p>This is becasuse</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Whistler Sport Legacies hire local physical literacy and sport coaches to lead programs. 2) Programs provide a safe, positive, inclusive environment for all community programs due to lots of professional development 3) Partnerships with local organizations to provide the best sport and physical activity experiences for community children and youth. 4) Finding funding to keep programming affordable for community members. 6) Provides professional development at not cost for program leaders and sport coaches 7) Providing a Coach In Training opportunity for teens to develop leadership skills. 8) Provide an opportunity for children to try a varitety of sprots and activities, to help find the sport they want to pursue. 	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Whistler Sport Legacies participated in a three-day training session for the Indigenous Long-Term Participant Development course to learn the how to provide welcoming programs for indegenouse participants.</p> <p>The Legacy Sport Legacies has a close relationship with ISPARC (Indigenous Sport, Physical Activity & Recreation Council) to offer various programs, including Indigenous Luge sessions, wheelchair basketball, and coach development courses.</p> <p>These initiatives aim to promote inclusivity, community engagement, and skill development across diverse populations, emphasizing the importance of fostering sustainable and inclusive sports programs for Indigenous communities.</p>

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Submitted by:	Tami Mitchell
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Mature Action Community (Whistler MAC)
Name of the program (if applicable):	Enriching the Lives of Whistler Seniors
Society Registration Number:	S-33807
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 913, Whistler, BC, V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Charalyn Kriz, Director Community Projects
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Welcoming supportive community where Whistler 55+comfortably age in place and are valued for who they are and what they do
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Community Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	since 1995
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	Estimated at 200, 60 couples and 80 individuals. Some memberships have lapsed, as we are between the old membership system and new Zeffy CRM to be launched in the spring 2024
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	N/A
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	Unknown as database out of date but estimated at 200
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	8
Age range of participants in the organization:	55 to 90's

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlermac.org (old website) new website is almost ready to launch www.facebook.com/groups/960888177281796/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Minimum age 55
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No outstanding debts

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>The WHO has recently declared loneliness in seniors an epidemic that can lead to dementia, and adversely affect mental and physical health. This grant will help MAC to combat loneliness in Whistler seniors.</p> <p>In the absence of a Whistler seniors' centre, to provide opportunities for the 55+ resident community to get together for coffee, conversation and activities to enrich their lives</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sponsor free 2 hour sessions twice a month at the Whistler Racket Club where participants can meet for coffee, conversation and games, if desired. from May 1 2024 - March 31, 2025 (22 sessions max) 2. Sponsor free seminar series at the Library on topics of interest and benefit to seniors, followed by coffee and conversation (1 per month, from May onwards 11 max) 	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>These events have been piloted since November 28, 2023 - March 9, 2024 sponsored by a grant from the Whistler Community Response Network (7 coffee drop-ins at WRC and 3 seminars at the Whistler Public library. At the time of application, 5 coffee drop-ins had been held with increasing popularity and joy, and friendships being made. And one seminar on the BC Community Response network followed by friendly conversation. Feedback on the seminar was very positive</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Under a grant from the federal New Horizons for Seniors Program, MAC is running a weekly program for people with dementia and their caregivers out of the Catholic church for residents in the S2S Corridor. This program, Making Connections, is very popular with participants and a team of some 25 volunteers. It allows participants to break through the barrier of isolation and gives them something to look forward to. A spin off has been to offer caregiver support courtesy of the Sea to Sky Hospice Society and to enlist local volunteers for the Better at Home program which will offer friendly visits to relieve caregivers. Caregiver burnout is always a threat unless adequate supports and respite are available.</p> <p>See 2. above, coffee drop-ins and seminars organized by MAC for seniors but sponsored by Whistler CRN</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>New Horizons for Seniors Program expiring March 31, 2024 \$21,440</p> <p>New Horizons for Seniors Program effective March 29, 2024 \$22,890</p> <p>Community Services Covid Recovery Fund expiring end of April 2024 \$19552</p> <p>Whistler Community Response Network \$2000</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:			
General operations:	\$31,475		
One-time project / program:	\$21,551.84	\$4290	for refreshments and rent for 2 drop-ins and 1 seminar per month
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	library	N/A	Library charges \$40 per 2 hour session \$440
Rent (other facilities):	WRC free		
Other:			Refreshments \$3300 +\$550= \$3850
Total	\$ 53,026.84	\$ 4290	8.1 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>Our sister municipalities of Pemberton and Squamish have seniors' facilities from which to offer a variety of activities to seniors. We would not be asking for this grant if Whistler provided a municipal seniors' centre or space. We need an accessible space with accessible and free parking away from the crush of village traffic.</p>	

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant addresses primarily the priority of "Community Engagement" because it provides Whistler seniors an opportunity to connect through two types of activities, 1) drop-ins at the Whistler Racket Club for coffee, treats, conversation and games, if desired; 2) seminars at the Whistler Public library or other venue on topics of interest and benefit to seniors, followed by conversation and refreshments.</p> <p>These activities enrich the lives of local seniors and provide an antidote to loneliness which is rampant in seniors and known to cause dementia and other adverse mental and physical health outcomes. These gatherings also allow us to solicit feedback on municipal projects and proposals affecting seniors and advocate with the municipality.</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>When redoing our strategic plan in the fall of 2022, we invited participants from the Squamish and Lilwat people but they did not participate.</p>

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Submitted by:	Charalyn Kriz
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	BC Luge Association
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S22738
Organization Mailing Address:	4910 Glacier Lane, Whistler, BC, V0N1V4
Contact Name & Title:	Mark Hatton, Vice President
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	hattonluge@gmail.com admin@bcluge.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To promote the sport of luge, develop youth athletes in BC and advance the legacy of Vancouver 2010
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	20+ years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	310
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	44
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	213
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	6 volunteer board members, 40 volunteer officials
Age range of participants in the organization:	Ages 6 to 20 for athletes, all ages including seniors for officials

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	bcluge.ca Facebook: BC Luge Association Instagram: BC Luge Association
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Our core target is 8 to 14 year olds. We do recruit outside of these ages on a case by case basis however. Anyone can try Luge recreationally.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	N/A

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>We have identified a gap for our BC Athletes in that their start times are less competitive than athletes of an equivalent age and skill level from Alberta. We would like to run a camp at one of the start facilities in North America (likely Calgary) however this would require significant parental contributions. BCLA would like to subsidise part of this cost to the parents if at all possible.</p> <p>Due to the recruitment uptake from our Learn to Luge programs, we will also use a portion of the grant for Team wear which remains the property of BCLA and is leased to athletes (free of charge with a deposit) each season. The team jackets give a sense of community and belonging, plus they are excellent publicity for our organisation. Since the inception of the Teamwear program approximately 5 years ago our young athletes are now older and bigger and therefore we again require some bigger jackets!</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>Our jacket leasing program is in its 5th year now.</p> <p>Subsiding start camps was done before 2021. We are very motivated to begin this again initially with our Youth A and B athletes (10 - 15) with the goal that our Youth A athletes will be the fastest in North America. This will be measured during Continental Cup races against US and South American teams. The ultimate (and realistic) goal is to be the fastest starters in the world.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>We ran a number of officials courses for our members including seniors 70+</p> <p>We hosted the Luge World Cup in December 2023 and incorporated all of our members in the successful execution of this race.</p> <p>3 of our Youth A athletes were selected to National Teams and experienced Youth A Continental Cup competition for the first time in Europe.</p> <p>██████████ qualified for the Youth Olympic Games in Korea and as the youngest athlete in the race, finished in 13th place overall and as the fastest 14 year old in the competition.</p>	

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<p>We will be fundraising again this year and this will likely be a 50/50 or a raffle. We will also be fundraising at the World Championships in 2025. This will likely be a concession stand and 50/50.</p>	

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:			
General operations:	8250	2000	Teamwear Program (jackets)
One-time project / program:	2533		
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	7000	3000	Start training camps
Other:			
Total	17783 \$	5000 \$	28 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

**6. Additional
Information:**

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We very much appreciate the support from past years. BCLA in my opinion is very well balanced in its approach to being community and participation focused. That being said we also provide an outlet to strive for excellence if those community members wish to push their performance to International / Olympic level. Whether a member wishes to be an official, slide down the track for fun or take their sport to the next level it doesn't matter - everyone is incredibly welcome. We all love Luge here and the more community members we can share that passion with, the better.

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>1) Both athletes and volunteer officials get a huge sense of belonging and purpose from involvement in our sport. Paid staff from Whistler such as track crew and medical support are seen as a part of the luge family and the athletes see them as integral to their success. It is a true community.</p> <p>2) During a training session there are often spectators from all over the world. This enhances their resort experience, plus - anyone can try luge. We encourage our coaches and parents to promote the sports to any new spectators who show an interest.</p> <p>3) All athlete and coach timesheets are now 100% paper free</p> <p>4) BC Luge supports local business wherever possible</p> <p>5) We fill a relatively unique role in that we require many volunteer officials to run a top quality race. Because of this we recruit our officials from all subsections of our community, young to old. We train them up as International Level Judges with the possibility of officiating at the highest level of the sport. You don't have to go down a luge track to be a part of our luge family!</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>In partnership with WSL this season and also in past seasons, we have conducted Learn to Luge programs focusing on Indigenous Youth participation.</p> <p>We participate in Safe Sport and encourage athletes who witness or experience racism know there is a resource for reporting. All athletes sign a contract that acknowledges our zero tolerance policy.</p> <p>During our domestic and international medals ceremonies, we always acknowledge territory.</p> <p>For international races such as World Cup and World Championships, we have a traditional First Nations Welcome Ceremony.</p> <p>We have, as part of our outreach programs, visited schools throughout the Sea to Sky including Mt Currie.</p> <p>As an organisation we are committed to ensuring that Luge is open to all. One of our most successful BC Olympians, [REDACTED] from Pemberton is also committed to increasing indigenous representation within our sport.</p> <p>https://www.cbc.ca/sports/olympics/winter/luge/trinity-ellis-m%C3%A9tis-indigenous-representation-luge-1.7061936</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Axemen Rugby Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	Axemen Rugby School Outreach Program
Society Registration Number:	S0070160
Organization Mailing Address:	
Contact Name & Title:	Stephen List - Community Rugby Coach
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Promote rugby participation within the Sea to Sky.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sport

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	10 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	178, including youth and senior sections
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	96
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	48 across youth and senior sections.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	25, consisting of volunteer coaches, volunteer team managers and membership administrators.
Age range of participants in the organization:	6- 60 years old

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Website - https://www.axemenrugbyclub.com Facebook - Axemen Rugby Club - Squamish Youth Rugby Instagram - Axemen Rugby Club
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Club fees are \$200 per person for the competitive season \$50 for youth - including BC rugby and club.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>The Axemen Rugby Club is a volunteer run club that serves the Sea to Sky corridor rugby community. The club provides the only opportunity to play rugby within the area and attracts players between North Vancouver and as far north as Pemberton. The club currently has 2 mens teams competing in BC Div 2 and 3, a newly formed womens program and a youth section that welcomes all ages.</p> <p>The purpose of this grant application is to further develop a youth rugby program for school aged children within Whistler. The Axemen Rugby Club are applying for a \$5000 grant to run a rugby program in Whistler throughout 2024. Of which, \$3500 would be put towards high school aged rugby and \$1500 would be used to promote the sport in Whistler Elementary schools.</p> <p>Over the past few years the club has helped Whistler High School promote rugby and organize a number of exhibition games. As a result of this increased participation, the senior boys team (grade 10-12) has now entered the North Shore Schools league. With the \$3500 grant, the club will support the following: 35 sessions run at \$75 per session, coaching cost at \$2625.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coach and Support Snr Boys teams in the North Shore League (spring season) (20 sessions) - Coach and support the Grade 8-9s team in an exhibition season in the fall of 2024. (10 sessions) - Run an introductory program for girls rugby (5 sessions) <p>Support for travel to away games = \$500 Equipment provided, including mouth guards and safety equipment = \$375</p> <p>Promotion of rugby in Whistler Elementary schools: The club aims to run introductory sessions for all grade 5, 6, 7 classes in Whistler, teaching TAG rugby, the non-contact version of the game. The club then aim to run a festival of rugby for children of this same age group. With the \$1500 grant, the club will support the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Equipment/Rugby Tags for festival of rugby = \$500 (to be given to schools afterward) - Introduction to rugby coaching sessions = \$750 (10 coaching sessions across all Whistler Elementary schools). - Festival organization and promotional material for 'next steps into rugby' = \$250. <p>Rugby provides a community and a support system for all it's players. A youth rugby program in Whistler opens many future opportunities for playing university sport, provides key social connections and promotes the world rugby values of discipline, respect, integrity, passion and solidarity.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>This is the third year running the Whistler School Rugby program. The club has successfully run programs for grades 8-12, helping organize students to play matches against Vancouver schools.</p> <p>The program aims to work with over 75 high school children and 150 elementary school children in Whistler.</p> <p>The program aims to provide a pathway for students to play representative rugby for Vancouver region and BC.</p> <p>A goal of the program is to create a pathway to the Axemen Youth rugby section, who will have competitive teams at each playing age group.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Through community outreach programs have introduced over 1000 school aged children to a new sport. Attended and top fund raising group for recent Whistler Community Services Nightwalk. Axemen Rugby Club gave over 100 meals to Squamish food bank at Christmas 2023. Mens program has over 60 active members, from all over the world and in different areas of the community. Newly formed womens program now gives equal opportunities to play the sport.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> 2. <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>The club recently were awarded a grant from Whistler Blackcombe Foundation of \$12,000. This grant is being used to update all equipment for the mens, womens and junior sections. The grant also means the club can give a set of rugby balls to every elementary school in the Sea to Sky.</p> <p>The club very recently (Jan 2024) applied for a Rugby Canada grant to support a Community Development Officer in the Sea to Sky. Applying for \$10,000 to support the part time working hours of this position.</p> <p>The rugby club is planning on raising funds to lead a schools program at Howe Sound High School, Squamish, the RMOW CEP funding will allow the rugby club to replicate the schools program in Whistler.</p> <p>The club is also awaiting the result of a \$2000 funding bid from Woodfibre, Squamish, this bid will help provide funds for travel costs to games for both the adult and youth section of the rugby club and will have nothing to do with schools programming.</p> <p>No grants/funding have been rejected to date.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	\$17700	-	
General operations:	\$10000	-	
One-time project / program:	\$5000	\$5000	For coaching, equipment and administration costs. Outlined above.
Physical assets:	\$8000	-	
Rent (RMOW facilities):	\$0	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	\$4500	\$0	
Other:		-	
Total	\$ 45,200	\$ 5000	<u>11.1</u> % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
NA	

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>Enriching Community Life.</p> <p>The Whistler Youth Rugby program will promote the rugby values of discipline, respect, integrity, passion and solidarity. Introducing the game to Whistler youth will build valuable attributes within the participants, attributes that will transfer into their everyday and future life.</p> <p>Offering a group program helps school aged children develop teamwork, a shared purpose and work ethic amongst peers. By connecting with a local club we can offer a pathway immediately after completing the program, providing opportunities to connect with fellow residents of all ages that also play the same sport. This opportunity to integrate into adult sport is a key stepping stone into maturing as an adult.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Over the past 3 years the Axemen Rugby Club has done a number of outreach workshops at first nation youth programs.</p> <p>The community outreach programs that have taken place in elementary schools through out the Sea to Sky, have in some schools where 25%+ of the students are from indigenous heritage.</p> <p>Finally, the Mens playing teams have warm up jerseys that acknowledge truth and reconciliation. Recognizing that the land we play on is part of the Squamish Lilwat nation.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Stephen List	
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Email:	<div></div>	
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Skating Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S28906
Organization Mailing Address:	Box 373, Whistler, BC V8E1A0
Contact Name & Title:	Vivian Quach
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	info@whistlerskatingclub.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Children, Youth and Adult Skating Programs
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	32 years (Inception 1992)
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	139 registrations in the Fall 120 registrations in the Winter
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	110 in the Fall 96 for the Winter
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	For one group of Star Skaters, all are local except for 5 skaters. It is difficult to track the rest. Majority of skaters are from Whistler and some are in Pemberton
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	4 committed volunteers; 8 board members; 9 paid staff
Age range of participants in the organization:	2-65 years of age

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	http://whistlerskatingclub.ca Facebook: whistlerskatingclub
What are the membership and participation requirements?	There are membership fees for all registrants and a volunteer requirement that varies based on the program that you are involved in. All members must provide their own skates, helmets/halos, uniforms and costumes.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	RMOW \$6000 outstanding debt due to COVID. The club is still recovering post pandemic and trying to continue to operate.

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>1) Specialized Coach Travel Expenses (ongoing - annual costs) -- (Squamish to Whistler and return) \$6888.90 [REDACTED] is a regionally certified coach with Skate Canada. She is an essential asset to the club as she is the only coach in the Sea to Sky region with this certification. Her skills in coaching are needed to bring our athletes from the recreational level to the competitive levels. This is an annual, ongoing expense. (124.8km/day x 3days/week x \$0.46/km x 40weeks/season = \$6888.90/season)</p> <p>2) Regular monthly coaching invoices, competition travel, hotel and expenses for March and August Competitions (Around \$2500) these coaches and travels are required to allow the community to sign up to learn the sport and excel in the sport to continue to learn and grow and compete while representing Whistler. This also helps keep diversity with sports in the local community.</p> <p>3) Annual Skate Canada membership renewal in September for all coaches (\$168/coach x 5 = \$840) and training courses (\$500).</p> <p>4) Guest Trainer Coaches \$2000.00 (Coach fee, travel, meals and hotel expenses) for 1-2 seminars. This is an exceptional opportunity for our skaters to learn from a specialised jump trainer and an on ice workshop. the Club would also like to get spinning harness/machine to help skaters with their on ice jumps and spins by training their equilibrium and vestibular stability.</p> <p>5) Ice Summit Registration \$250/coach. The only opportunity for our coaches to access the most relevant level of information to keep our club up to date in the latest techniques, trends and information. Total cost \$500.</p> <p>6) Coach Certification: NCCP (National Coaching Certification Program \$1700 per person - Regional Certification \$1,000 per person). The Whistler Skating Club WSC operates under the National mandate of Skate Canada and the club must employ professional coaches to deliver all of its programs. WSC would like funding to improve coaches certification levels. Currently we have two coaches who want to pursue further education. This training and certification is vital to the growth of the club.</p> <p>7) CANSKATE SUPPLIES \$300 worth of new supplies for the Learn to Skate Program (this would be to buy new supplies due to damage to keep the program going and add items to assist with the learning. example of items are wagon, bubble machine) and Ipad (\$500) for training, and music for the club.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>1. Skater/athlete Development : we are in a remote area, and need to stay connected to experts in skating performance in order to grow and remain competitive.</p> <p>2. Continuing adult skating and mature action 50+ groups and adding more sessions for Adult Learn to Skate</p> <p>3. Power Skating</p> <p>4. 13+ Recreational.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>We also had our Starry Nights performance, it was a full show that was watched by the Whistler community. In summer 2023 we successfully ran our summer skating school and we managed to continue our off ice core conditioning program and mental health program.</p> <p>We had Olympian [REDACTED] join us in the summer for a seminar (approx. \$6400 value) and current Canadian National Senior Men's Champion as our guest skater at Starry Night (approx. \$1500 value)</p>	

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<p>We are planning to apply for the following grants:</p> <p>BC Community Gaming Grant. Real Estate Association of Whistler Grant Whistler Blackcomb Foundation Grant</p> <p>We run a major fundraiser evening (Starry Night Performance) where the skaters do a performance and the club volunteers do fundraising activities such as silent auctions, supporting the club by donation with various items, and any other fundraising opportunities.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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Salaries/contracts:	\$100,000.00	\$10728.90	Coaching fees
General operations:	\$25,000.00	\$300.00	CanSkate supplies
One-time project / program:	\$27,000.00	\$2,000.00	Guest trainer
Physical assets:	\$4,000.00	\$500.00	Ipad for training
Rent (RMOW facilities):	\$32,000.00	N/A	N/A
Rent (other facilities):	0	N/A	N/A
Other:	\$12,000.00	\$2,700.00	Coaching certifications and summit
Total	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 16,228.90	8.11 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>The entry level program Canskate is the vital to the successional growth that our club needs to be successful. Supporting our ongoing needs and sustaining us as a community skating club is mostly independent because of CanSkate, now we need help to stay financially stable, and continue to grow our successional membership as we recover from the restrictions we have had due to Covid regulations and mandates. And we need to grow membership after covid and get the community interested in skating again with programs such as, 50+ Mature Action Skating group, Adult and Teen Skills development, Adult Learn to Skate, and CanSkate programs promoting young skaters to represent Whistler.</p>	

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<p>This grant addresses three priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic plan. Please see numbers below:</p> <p>2. CanSkate is a program offered at various times throughout the week. We are starting to offer more of these sessions and it does help parents who can't find childcare at a certain time. This also allows parents to carpool their children. This means less emissions from vehicles when we can keep these programs running.</p> <p>3. The club hosts a Starry Night show once a year and creates community engagement and allows people to discover this sport. It keeps the lives of our children connected, engaged, healthy and in pursuit of athletic development while meeting other people in the community.</p> <p>4. Other skaters visit Whistler with their families either staying in a hotel or in their second homes and they enjoy having the opportunity to skate while they are away from their home Club. We will allow people to join sessions if they have their Skate Canada membership and we have the availability and coaching.</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Over the last year, Skate Canada has launched several initiatives aimed at bridging the gap between the sport of figure skating and Indigenous communities. These efforts have not only celebrated the Indigenous heritage but also sought to dispel misconceptions and create an inclusive space for all Canadians. As part of its 2022-2026 Strategic Plan, Skate Canada is committed to continued outreach and building meaningful relationships.</p> <p>As a club we tried to market a program to indigenous last Spring. We will continue to do this going into our Spring sessions and offerings.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Naturalists
Name of the program (if applicable):	BioBlitz
Society Registration Number:	S40150
Organization Mailing Address:	Box 845 Whistler BC V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Kristina Swerhun and Bob Brett – Board members
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	WhistlerNaturalists@gmail.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To increase the knowledge of and appreciation for the natural world in the Whistler area through education and research.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Environment

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	25
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	Approximately 1,500 are participants at our events. Our active Facebook "Whistler Naturalists Community" has 1,824 members.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	n/a
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	We do not ask if people are local to become a free member but can in the future if it's important to our funders. 48 of our 61 paying members live in Whistler, Pemberton or Squamish.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	7 board members
Age range of participants in the organization:	1-99

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlernaturalists.ca https://www.facebook.com/groups/whistlernaturalists https://www.facebook.com/whistlernaturalists
What are the membership and participation requirements?	An interest in nature. We have two membership options: a) join the WNS mailing list for free b) join the WNS under the umbrella of BC Nature and additionally receive the BC Nature quarterly newsletter (\$20 individual/year; \$30 family/year).
<p>Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)</p>	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>This year marks the 18th year of our annual BioBlitz event that promotes biodiversity research, education and stewardship.</p> <p>The Natural Environment chapter in the RMOW OCP is about “Protecting, monitoring and restoring the natural environment in Whistler”. Our events and programs work towards all these outcomes because they all have both public education and research components that complement each other. Additionally, data from BioBlitz is being used to help develop Key Initiative A3.1, A3.2, A3.3 and A3.5 in the Big Moves Climate Action Implementation Plan. Overall, our annual BioBlitz events help us move towards our community's vision of a place where nature is protected.</p> <p>Specifically:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Funding will go towards presentations on the wonders of nature and biodiversity to students in Whistler and Mount Currie. Nature education leads to appreciation, which leads to stewardship. From all the great feedback we've gotten from the public, students and teachers alike, we know our events have helped community members on their journey towards stewardship/restoring the natural environment in Whistler. 2) Funding will go to collecting data about the species that call Whistler home. With more data about the species that live in Whistler, better management decisions can be made to support biodiversity. Although this is fundamentally true, information alone is not enough. Without political will (fostered by increased stewardship in point #1), biodiversity conservation can get ignored. 3) Funding this program will also generate hope and connection. Our BioBlitz events have been uncovering new species every single year. At a time when most news is about the decline of biodiversity, new species discoveries are hopeful news to celebrate as a community. We also encourage citizen science by introducing students and residents to iNaturalist, an online social network of people sharing biodiversity information to help each other learn about nature. This information can then be used by researchers to advance understanding of our natural world and how best to use limited resources to protect it. When people feel they are part of the solution, it can help counter the looming environmental doom experienced by many. 	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Promoting and fostering stewardship of the natural world Providing opportunities to learn about Whistler’s natural world strengthens the connection people feel to nature. We all moved to Whistler to be able to call this spectacular landscape home, but in our busy lives or fast sports, the connection piece is often missing. When you have more people connected to nature, you have more people who are inspired to become natural stewards and take care of this beautiful place for the benefit of all. Through education, connection; through connection, stewardship.</p> <p>Education focuses on our school program which has been growing due to the phenomenal response from teachers and their students. We have built strong connections with the local schools and keep working to improve and expand students’ exposure to all aspects of local biology and biodiversity delivered by some of BC’s best biologists. BioBlitz biologists will again present to classes in local schools, and at the Xit’olacw School in Mt. Currie. We finally achieved our goal of including Lil’wat youth and educators with successful presentations in 2022. Last year, the timing of our event unfortunately did not work for Xetólacw School, but we intend make sure we can return in 2024.</p> <p>In June 2023, scientists gave presentations to 38 classes (about 750 youth participants!) at Spring Creek Community School, Myrtle Philip Community School, Whistler Secondary, and École La Passerelle.</p> <p>Providing data essential to an effective strategy to protect nature</p> <p>Collection of species data involves scientists scouring different ecosystems to increase our knowledge about the diversity of species in our area. In total, volunteer contributions for BioBlitz exceed 1,000 hours each weekend. In just 17 weekends of BioBlitz spanning back to 2007, BioBlitz findings now represent close to half of all records on the Whistler Biodiversity Project (WBP) master list (www.whistlerbiodiversity.ca). Results from the 2023 BioBlitz will bring the total number of species documented in our area close to 5,000. This exact number will be finalized in the coming months as our volunteers confirm identification of hard to identify species and collate data. Please see figures 1 & 2 below.</p> <p>The highest priority initiative in the RMOW’s Big Moves Climate Action Implementation Plan Adaptation Goal 3 is to: “Develop policy, planning and legislative strategies to protect and restore local ecosystem health and support continued provision of natural infrastructure services. E.g. develop/implement Priority Habitat Strategy and Species & Ecosystems at Risk Plan.” BioBlitz events provide data for this plan.</p>	

Whistler Biodiversity by the Numbers

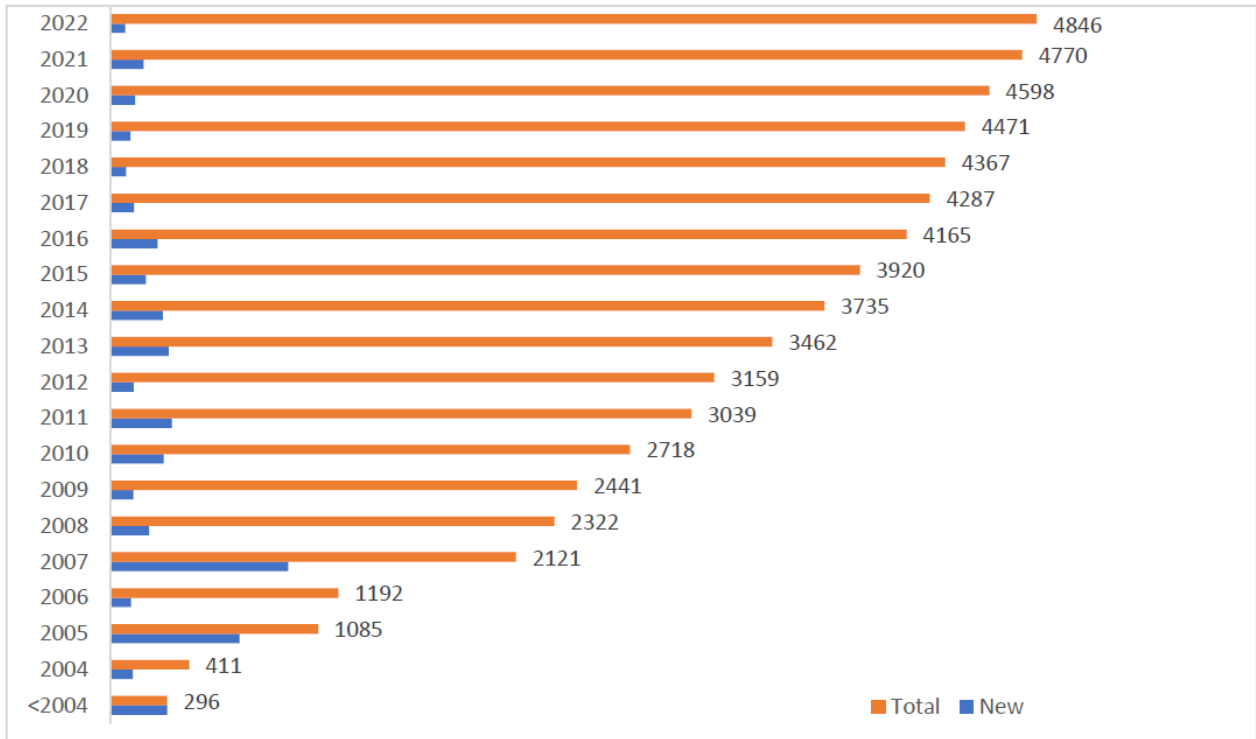


Figure 1: Number of species recorded in Whistler since the Whistler Biodiversity Project started in 2004. Note the jump in species starting with the first BioBlitz in 2007.

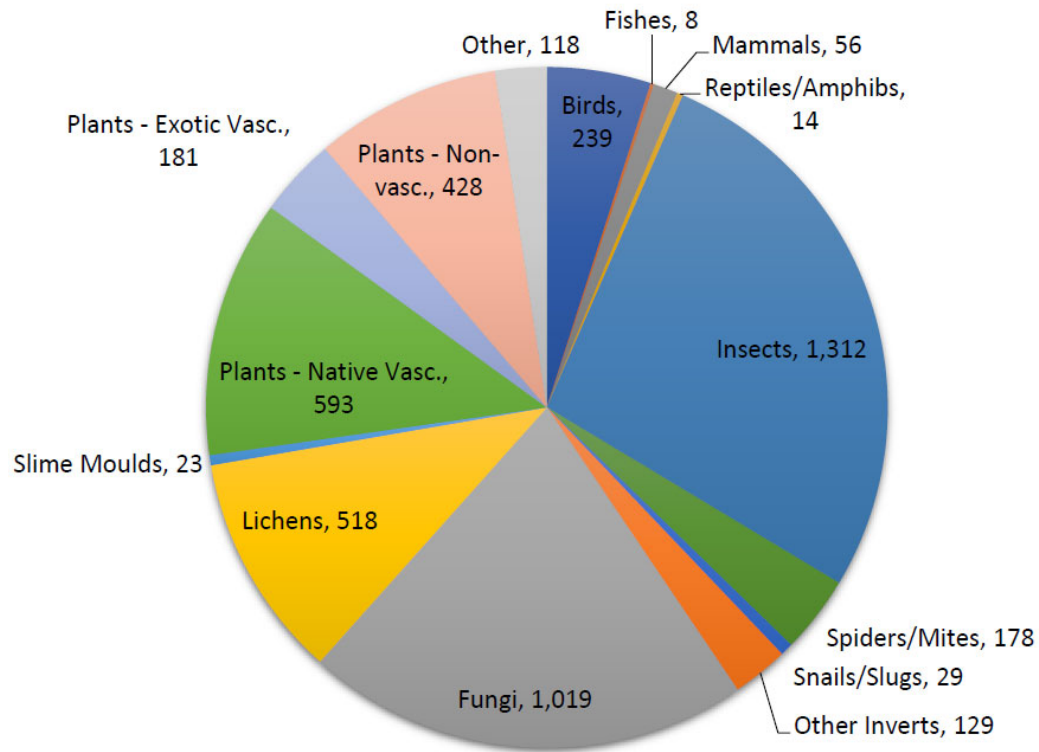


Figure 2: Number of species in Whistler by group. Not that vertebrates (fish, mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians) represent a small percentage of the total.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resort Municipality of Whistler Community Enrichment Program: \$5,700 (pending) • Whistler Community Foundation Environmental Legacy Fund: \$12,000 (pending) • BC Nature: \$2,000 (pending) 	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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Salaries/contracts:			
General operations:			
One-time project / program:	23,400	5,700	Youth engagement at schools, public nature programs, biodiversity data collection
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:	76,000		In kind
Total	\$ 99,400	\$ 5,700	5.7 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

CLIMATE CONSIDERATIONS: The RMOW and other jurisdictions have realized the threats posed by climate change and redirected much of their efforts and budget towards reducing those impacts. Unfortunately, that redirection has sometimes meant that the protection of wildlife habitat and biodiversity is forgotten or, at best, reduced.

As science has shown, biodiversity is our strongest natural defense against climate change. Therefore, one of the best ways to reduce the effects of climate change is to protect habitats and the birds and other species that require them. We believe that the activities and events we've described in this application provide valuable contributions to the protection of wildlife habitats and biodiversity by both inspiring individual residents to start/expand stewardship efforts and allow local government to make better management decision to support biodiversity based on our findings.

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Name of the program (if applicable):	Fungus Among Us
Society Registration Number:	S40150
Organization Mailing Address:	Box 845 Whistler BC V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Kristina Swerhun and Bob Brett – Board members
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	whistlernaturalists@gmail.com
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<p>This year marks the 22nd year of our annual Fungus Among Us event that promotes biodiversity research, nature education and stewardship. This is one of the few events in Whistler that works towards realizing Whistler's vision of being a place where nature is protected.</p> <p>1) FUNGI PRESENTATIONS TO STUDENTS: Funding will go towards presentations on the wonders of fungi and mushrooms and their vital roles in maintaining our ecosystems to students in Whistler and Mount Currie. Nature education leads to appreciation, which leads to stewardship. From all the great feedback we've gotten from the public, students and teachers alike, we know our events have helped community members on their journey towards stewardship/restoring the natural environment.</p> <p>2) FUNGI EDUCATION FOR ALL RESIDENTS: Funding will support nature education for residents and visitors of all ages which is essential in inspiring stewardship of nature. Since we started Fungus Among Us, we have been at capacity or sold out every year at all our event that includes fungi talks, walks, cooking demonstration and a mushroom display. This shows how much an appetite there is for nature education in Whistler.</p> <p>3) DATA COLLECTION: Funding will go to collecting data about fungi in general and fungi species at risk. The conservation risks to fungi were first considered by the BC Conservation Data Centre in 2022. These assessments were conducted by frequent participants at our events, notably [REDACTED] (also curator of the UBC Herbarium) as well as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (frequent participants and authors of Mushrooms of BC).</p> <p>Of the 233 fungal species ranked as at-risk (Blue or Red list), 70 are on the Whistler list. As a result of 21 years of surveys by experts, Whistler is therefore far ahead of most jurisdictions in knowing which fungi species are at risk. One example of the usefulness of this information is Agarikon (<i>Fomitopsis officinalis</i>), a bracket fungus strongly associated with old Douglas-fir forests. Old forests at low elevations in Whistler that could support Agarikon have mostly been logged, but conserving this species is yet another reason to avoid further logging of old forests.</p>	

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<p>FUNGI PRESENTATIONS TO STUDENTS: The event includes presentations to Whistler schools and the Xelólacw Community School in Mount Currie. In 2023 we presented fungi talks and walks to 29 classes (more than 600 youth participants!). We were excited to include for the second time four classes from Xelólacw Community School in Mount Currie along with return visits to Spring Creek Community School, École La Passerelle and Myrtle Philip Community School. We also had available the Fungus Among Us Scavenger Hunt activity sheet and accompanying video we developed in 2020 so teachers could get students interested in fungi at other times as well. Although the scavenger hunt and video were designed for students K-7 we still make both available on our website for families. Mushroom Scavenger Hunt and Activity Sheet available at: www.whistlenaturalists.ca/mushroom-scavenger-hunt.</p> <p>FUNGI EDUCATION FOR ALL RESIDENTS: This event is an autumn highlight for many residents since mushroom hunting has become so popular. The positive feedback we get each year from participants and gurus alike is the main reason we run the festival. Our event includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHOTO CONTEST: Based on its success since we introduced it in 2020, we again will offer the 'Fantastic Fungi Foto Contest' to get people outside and focusing on mushrooms. • TALKS WITH GURUS: We plan for a collection of short talks about fungi biology, ecology, uses and conservation. Talks in 2023 included: [redacted] on 'Fungi and Fire'; [redacted] on 'Amazing Mushroom Morphology'; [redacted] (both high school students!) on 'Fun with Fungi'; and [redacted] on Cordyceps fungi, 'Zombie Apocalypse.' We were sold out in 2023 with 120 attendees to the talk. • WALK WITH GURUS: We take people on mushroom walks in small groups to have an opportunity to learn about the wonder of fungi from gurus and connect with our natural world and others who care about nature. 2024 will look similar to 2023 when we had 18 gurus who took out 10 groups of 20 people each to various locations. We were sold out in 2023 with 190 attendees to our walks. • COOKING WITH MUSHROOMS: This event has been hosted by [redacted] chef and GM of Milestones. Bruce is not only an amazing chef but also is an experienced wild mushroom picker. During the event, participants not only learn ways of preparing delicious mushroom dishes, but he also talks about proper etiquette of picking as well. This event is always the first to sell out since we have a maximum capacity of 40 people. This year we might switch things up a bit and be creative about involving more people in this highly sought-after event. • MUSHROOM DISPLAY: This is an event where labeled mushrooms collected on the walks are on display and gurus are on hand to answer any questions. This is the only event that is by donation and not ticketed. We do this for two main reasons: 1) Once tickets are sold out, this guarantees that anyone can still take part, and 2) it's an option to take part in the festival that all can afford. In 2023 we had close to the annual average of 180 species on display and an estimated 200 people attended. We expect 2024 to look very similar. 	

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Physical assets:			
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Other:	71,500		In kind
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- "I wish more people could experience the joy of the natural world and astounding life forms around us."
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- "Be more curious and observant when walking through the woods. There's another lifetime of learning at our feet."
- "That we live in an amazing place with amazing people."

When asked what they enjoyed most, some replies include:

- "It was so lovely to see the excitement, passion and interest in the natural world that surrounds us. And the knowledge of the speakers and walk leaders was very impressive. Everyone was very nice and positive. A great experience."
- "We enjoyed the supervised foraging with the gurus, it was really eye opening to learn how many fungi are in our backyard. The lunch was outstanding, being both delicious, entertaining and educational. Definitely looking forward to attending again next year."
- "Loved that the Friday night talks were a cornucopia of talks. Not too long and not too technical. Appreciated that the ecological focus on the walk. Many people wanted more foraging info. The ecological focus was a perfect fit for my interests."
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Society Registration Number:	S40150
Organization Mailing Address:	Box 845 Whistler BC V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Kristina Swerhun and Bob Brett – Board members
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CLIMATE CONSIDERATIONS: Bird populations are declining around the world. And while many factors contribute — from habitat loss to pesticides, outdoor cats, and window collisions — it is increasingly clear that climate change is an important driver behind this worrying trend.

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Changes in climate can affect ecosystems by influencing animal behavior and ranges. Birds are a particularly good indicator of environmental change for several reasons:

Each species of bird has adapted or evolved to favor certain habitat types, food sources, and temperature ranges. In addition, the timing of certain events in their life cycles—such as migration and reproduction—is driven by cues from the environment. For example, many North American birds follow a regular seasonal migration pattern, moving north to feed and breed in the summer, then moving south to spend the winter in warmer areas. Changing conditions can influence the distribution of both migratory and non-migratory birds as well as the timing of important life cycle events.

Birds are easy to identify and count, and thus there is a wealth of scientific knowledge about their distribution and abundance. People have kept detailed records of bird observations in Whistler for more than thirty years.

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<p>PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT: Because people only care FOR what they first care ABOUT. Through nature educating we help people care ABOUT the environment and in turn those people are much more likely to become stewards. Because to make environmental management planning decisions that protect the environment, you need good data. Our Bird Study Programs have a research component, and this unbiased data is invaluable when making environmental management planning decisions.</p> <p>ENRICHING COMMUNITY LIFE: Because our community loves to learn, through our programs and online resources we give the community access to learning opportunities. Since we are completely volunteer run, we have diverse volunteer opportunities where volunteers feel a sense of belonging with likeminded people who love nature.</p> <p>ENHANCING THE RESORT EXPERIENCE: Our programs and online information give visitors the opportunity to participate in community events and/or explore on their own with a much deeper appreciation of the natural world in Whistler. This promotes a positive atmosphere for the visitor who will feel more connected to the community after participating.</p> <p>ENSURING ECONOMIC VIABILITY: The more the community learns about the natural environment in Whistler, the more we can collectively act as curators of this wonderful place to visitors that come here primarily for a natural experience.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Líl'wat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>According to the Truth and Reconciliation Committee reconciliation is about “establishing and maintaining a mutually respectful relationship between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in this country.” While reconciliation is not part of our mission, we do seek to increase local knowledge of and appreciation for the natural world to inspire stewardship. Respect for nature is something we share with First Nations, and we feel this shared goal can only help while working towards reconciliation.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Kristina Swerhun
Phone number:	
Email:	WhistlerNaturalists@gmail.com
Acknowledgement:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.
Signature:	

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Blackcomb Freestyle Ski Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	Professional Coach Development Funds
Society Registration Number:	S0026555
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 766, Whistler, BC V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Chris Muir, Executive Director
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	chris@whistlerblackcombfreestyle.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To build a passion for life-long participation in sport especially skiing.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation & Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	36 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	582 over the calendar year. 246 enrolled in 18 week winter program
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	544
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	185 members from Whistler 281 from Squamish/Whistler/Pemberton
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	1 Executive Director 35 coaches 10 Board of directors
Age range of participants in the organization:	5 - 60

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	FB @freestylewhistler Insta @freestylewhistler YouTube @freestylewhistler
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Only the participation fee.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>Coach Development \$5600</p> <p>Over the last 2 years, our program has made a major push at training more former athletes as coaches (they already have housing!) however, our 8 coaches who are Whistler-born are all Level 1 certified. Our goal is to have these athletes begin completing their Level 2 certification which allows them to coach inverts on skis.</p> <p>The grant money for this project would cover our Whistler-born and bred coaches (former WBFSC athletes) with subsidized access to complete their Freestyle Level 2 Certification. The full course is \$2800 with our club contributing 50% of the funds with 25% coming from the CEP grant.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>This has been an ongoing project for many years.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Tremendous success at provincial and national level events - multiple podium and personal bests Record number of participants in our summer programs at Water Ramps including programming for Whistler Youth Center Purchase of a new landing airbag for a safer progression of athletes acrobatic skills.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>BC Community Gaming Grant - \$18,000</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	578881		Coaching Payroll
General operations:	175929	5600	Admin & Equipment
One-time project / program:	N/A		
Physical assets:	N/A		
Rent (RMOW facilities):	N/A	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	83941		Rent for Whistler Gymnastics/ Airhouse and Air
Other:			
Total	\$ 838,751	\$ 5600	0.6 _____% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

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Freestyle Whistler is a non-profit freestyle ski club that has been coaching both competitive and recreational freestyle skiers since 1988. Freestyle Whistler trains all athletes to confidently and safely pursue freestyle skiing. We aim to produce both recreational athletes, along with athletes who may strive to achieve excellence beyond the local level. Freestyle Whistler believes that no matter an athletes' level, each participant should be able to train with their friends, in a fun, inclusive, supportive environment. We aspire to develop well rounded skiers and to foster a love of skiing that will last a lifetime.

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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p><i>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Housing</i> 2. <i>Climate Action</i> 3. <i>Community Engagement</i> 4. <i>Smart Tourism</i> <p><i>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</i></p>
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<p>This grant is meant to help elevate “Community” in the CPI. Our coaches are critical to our of services we offer. The more education that they can helps elevate the programming that we can offer. Our club aims are to build a life long love of sport and community.</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Our organization has worked to engage the Indigenous Life Sport Academy former the First Nations Snowboard Team. We have provided them access to our facilities on and off hill.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Chris Muir
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Email:	chris@whistlerblackcombfreestyle.com
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Singers Community Choir
Name of the program (if applicable):	Choral riser replacement
Society Registration Number:	S0074492
Organization Mailing Address:	8529 Ashleigh Mclvor Dr., Whistler V8E 1L9
Contact Name & Title:	Lynn Rounding, Treasurer & Secretary
Organization Phone Number:	[REDACTED]
Organization Email Address:	whistlersingers@gmail.com [REDACTED]
Organization Purpose or Mandate: <i>(Please provide this answer in one sentence.)</i>	To provide an opportunity for people to sing, learn and perform choral music, and to perform at civic functions.
Organization Category <i>(choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)</i>	Arts & Culture

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	40 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? <i>(e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)</i>	56 members
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	50 members from Whistler, 6 from Pemberton
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	3 volunteer executive, 4 volunteer members-at-large
Age range of participants in the organization:	19-89

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlerchorus.org/whistlersingers www.facebook.com/whistlersingers
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Whistler Singers is a non-audition choir that accepts all people interested in singing 3 part harmony.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No debts. Whistler Singers receives the non-profit rental rate for renting weekly practice space at MPCs.

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>If successful in our application all CEP funds would go towards one additional choral riser with back rail. This would bring our choral risers to 4 and allow most of our members to safely and comfortably fit on the risers.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>Whistler Singers started the choral riser program in 2021 and were able to purchase two risers and back rails that year. In 2022 we applied and were awarded CEP funds allowing us to purchase one riser with back rail. We currently have 3 risers, which accommodate about 36 adult singers. We need an additional riser to fit our growing membership.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>The Whistler Singers participated in the Remembrance Day Ceremony where locals and visitors gathered to honour Canada's veterans. We had 13 performances in the month of December. The choir's winter concert was Dec 15, 2023, and we also sang carols through the village 3 weekends. The annual Christmas Eve Carol Service was held at the Whistler Public Library with over 200 people attending. We look forward to performing a spring concert April 21, 2024 at Maury Young Arts Center.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>The Whistler Singers membership dues cover about half of our operating expenses each year.</p> <p>The choir holds 2 concerts each year with admission by donation.</p> <p>Whistler Singers performed for honorariums during the month of December. Members sang carols through the village for Whistler Tourism on Friday and Saturday evenings. We also performed at the Fairmont Chateau prior to Christmas.</p> <p>Currently, the choir is participating in the BC Choral Federation raffle fundraiser with a goal of \$600 profit from the ticket sales.</p> <p>This coming April we will receive an honorarium for volunteering at the Con Brio Music Festival to be held here in Whistler.</p> <p>2. We have not been rejected for any other sources of funding</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):**5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:**

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	3600	0	honorariums for music director & accompanist
General operations:	2965.00	0	music, office expenses
One-time project / program:	0	0	
Physical assets:	0	2159.33	Canadell choral riser
Rent (RMOW facilities):	2400.00	N/A	weekly practice at MPCS
Rent (other facilities):	410.00	0	Concert venues
Other:			
Total	\$9375.00	\$2159.33	23 _____% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

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Information:**

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The Whistler Singers Community Choir did not put any funds towards physical assets, like risers, in our 2023/2024 budget. It would take several years to set aside the monies necessary to purchase another choral riser. Last year most of the choir fit on the risers and a few people had to stand at the sides. This year we need an additional riser because our membership has grown from 42 to 56 people.

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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing 2. Climate Action 3. Community Engagement 4. Smart Tourism <p>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>3. Community Engagement: The Whistler Singers strives to connect locals to each other. Most members live and work in Whistler and many have sung in the choir for years. Choir members have become friends and we support each other in good times and bad. Members go skiing, biking & walking together, meet for coffee, and yes, even party together. Several members have required new rental accommodation in the past year or two, and fellow choir members were able to assist them in their search. Each season we also welcome people new to Whistler who are here working for the season. They join the choir as a way to integrate into the community, make new friends and have fun. Whistler Singers Choir is part of the social fabric of this community. This year our membership swelled to 56 members, higher even than our pre-pandemic level.</p>	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

The Whistler Singers Community Choir invites and welcomes people of different cultures & backgrounds.

We include land acknowledgements prior to performances.

The choir music director, [REDACTED] chooses songs to reflect the landscape and the people who live in the Sea to Sky region. Our spring concert this year includes a song, "The Gift", by Russell Wallace a composer, producer and traditional singer from the Lil'wat nation.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Lynn Rounding
Phone number:	
Email:	
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	The Whistler Farmers' Market
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S0043702
Organization Mailing Address:	Po Box 344, Whistler, BC,
Contact Name & Title:	Bree Eagles, Market Manager
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	management@whistlerfarmersmarket.org
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	The Whistler Farmers' Market strengthens local food systems and supports small businesses by creating vibrant and welcoming markets that build community, feed people, and support small farms and producers.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Community Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	30 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	160 membership (vendor) applications have been received for 2024 and are currently being evaluated. On a typical year we have approximately 120 members and estimate 4-6K customers visit the markets weekly.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	Typically, 60% of the Whistler Farmers Market membership reside in Whistler, and 75% reside locally between Squamish and Pemberton.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	1 full time staff, 1 full time student (funded by Canada Summer Jobs program), 1 part time employee, 2-5 volunteers, plus 9 Directors on the Board
Age range of participants in the organization:	16 years to 60+ years

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Web: https://www.whistlerfarmersmarket.org/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/WhistlerFarmersMarket Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/whistlerfarmersmarket
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Members of the Whistler Farmers Market must 100% bake, make, grow or raise the products they sell at market. Priority is given to Farm members, members that reside in the Sea to Sky region and returning members. Members must participate in at least one Whistler Farmers Market in the 2023 season and be in good financial standing with the organisation.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>The purpose of this grant funding is to improve our organisation's impact in two key areas: 1) reduce the organisations environmental footprint; and 2) First Nations engagement.</p> <p>Specifically, the organisation is requesting funding for the following activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Partner with AWARE Whistler to bring their Zero Waste Hero's program to the Whistler Farmers Markets. AWARE hosts a station at the market location where customer waste is directed into the correct stream (e.g. landfill, compostable, recyclable etc.) and disposed of appropriately. There is an educational component where the community can engage with AWARE staff. AWARE also work with our members/vendors to educate them and help them make environmentally friendly choices for packaging. The cost to the Whistler Farmers' Market in 2023 for this service was \$4,495 and we estimate this to be over \$5,000 in 2024. 2. The Whistler Farmers' Market would like to increase our focus on celebrating First Nations. Given the proximity of the market location in the Upper Village to the SLCC, we see an opportunity to better engage with the SLCC. WFM would like to pay First Nations ambassadors to do a traditional welcome at the Whistler Farmers Market on a regular basis, and (if budget allows) on occasions have a tent with craft activities for market visitors to participate in. A grant of \$3,000 would allow the WFM to come to a meaningful arrangement with the SLCC for the 2024 season. The WFM would also allocate \$1,000 of our budget towards this partnership. 	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>Partnering with AWARE is not a new activity for the Whistler Farmers' Market. For 2023, funding from CEP covered 78% of AWARE's fees for attending Sunday markets.</p> <p>The proposal for First Nations engagement is a new focus. The goals of this program would be to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) have an SLCC cultural ambassador to attend at least 50% of the markets and perform a traditional welcome, while also promoting the fact that the SLCC is walking distance from the market and an excellent activity for customers to do after their time at the market. 2) provide tent space once a month to the SLCC, ideally for free craft activities for market customers. However, we would take guidance from the SLCC on what is appropriate and achievable. 	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The WFM hosts markets from May to October, allowing access for the community and visitors to essential items such as produce and food, while also creating a vibrant space for enjoyment. Just as importantly, the market serves as a space for local farmers, producers and creatives to sell their items and make an income. It is estimated that the WFM will be able to work with 140+ vendors in total for the 2024 season and host up to 70 vendors weekly. We estimate an average customer attendance of 4-6K people weekly. - WFM works closely with the Whistler Community Services Society and the BC Association of Farmers' Markets (BCAFM) to support food security. An average of \$12K (annually) worth of fresh produce reaches community members in need via the BCAFM's Farmers Market Nutrition Coupon Program. Additionally, the Whistler Food Bank collects and distributes produce from the weekly markets. - WFM is looking to strengthen our relationship with First Nations in 2024 as detailed in this application. - WFM provides employment opportunities via: participation in the Canada Summer Jobs Program providing employment opportunities for youth, hiring 1-2 additional employees during market season and welcoming volunteers into the organisation. 	

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<p>A funding application has been submitted for the 2024 Canada Summer Jobs Program - to hire 1 full time employee (30-40 hours weekly) from May to September. WFM is awaiting the results of this application.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	44,000	0	
General operations:	70,000	0	
One-time project / program:	1,000	8,000	Aware & SLCC partnerships
Physical assets:	0	0	
Rent (RMOW facilities):	0	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	0	0	
Other:			
Total	\$ 115,000	\$ 8,000	7 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

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<p>This grant contributes to the Community Performance Indicators of Community Engagement, Smart Tourism and Climate Action.</p> <p>1. Community Engagement - This grant primarily addresses the priority of “Community Engagement”. The Whistler Farmers’ Market:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is a key part of the community fabric, providing a weekly opportunity for the community to connect with their food producers, local artisans, friends and peers, in a welcoming and enjoyable environment. - Supports local performers by paying musicians to play at the markets. Many locals to come to the market to enjoy the free live music. - Partners with other community organisations, including the Whistler Community Services Society to improve food security in Whistler. - Majority of the vendors at the market are small local businesses. The WFM is a crucial source of income and community connection for them. <p>2. Smart Tourism</p> <p>This grant addresses the priority of “Smart Tourism” because it provides opportunities for visitors to contribute, participate and learn about Whistler’s culture. Specifically, this is because the Whistler Farmers’ Market operates 25 markets from spring to fall, providing an opportunity for visitors to connect with locals, where they can take home a piece of Whistler in the form of locally produced goods. Many regular visitors have formed a connection to the Whistler Farmers Market and it’s vendors over the years and it is a regular stop on their Whistler itinerary. Creating a vibrant atmosphere at the market via music and entertainment is an important element of connecting visitors with Whistler’s arts and culture scene.</p> <p>3. Climate Action. This grant addresses the priority of “Climate Action” because it reduces the amount of landfilled waste. Specifically, working with AWARE Whistler helps to minimise the environmental footprint of the Whistler Farmers’ Market and provides an educational opportunity AWARE to connect with the community and visitors.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Yes. Details of the WFM efforts to increase our partnership with the SLCC have been outlined in this application. In addition, the organisation is taking steps such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- providing land acknowledgments where appropriate, e.g. on our website, social media, email signatures. We encourage musicians to provide a land acknowledgment in their performances at markets.- acknowledging National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on our social platforms and promoting the activities happening at the SLCC.- There are a number of First Nations vendors at the market and we are exploring our application process to see where we can minimise barriers to allow more Indigenous vendors to participate.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Bree Eagles, Market Manager
Phone number:	
Email:	management@whistlerfarmersmarket.org
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: (Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)	Whistler Chamber Music Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	Classical Chamber Concert Series
Society Registration Number:	S0066700
Organization Mailing Address:	c/o 8582 Buckhorn Dr., Whistler, V8E 0G2
Contact Name & Title:	Jane Reid, Director
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	contact@whistlerchambermusic.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Our mandate is to present 5 concerts a year featuring professional musicians performing classical chamber music on a variety of instruments to a Whistler audience to enable them to hear classical music without having to drive to Vancouver.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Arts and Culture

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	8 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	The Board of Directors: 5 local volunteers who plan and present all concerts. Additional Volunteers: 2 who help with PR, and others who assist at performances. Audiences: 80 - 190 attend per concert Performers: Approximately 1 - 6 musicians (ormore) per concert
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	We currently have 180 people on our email list who receive information about upcoming performances.
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	This is not a membership organization. It is administered by 5 directors and additional volunteers who are local residents. The majority of the audiences are local residents.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	In 2024: No paid staff. The 5 directors are volunteers, as are those who help with PR, social media and assist at performances.
Age range of participants in the organization:	Directors/Vollies: age 26 - 73. Audience: 5 - 80

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlerchambermusic.ca https://www.facebook.com/whistlerchambermusic
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Board of directors: love and knowledge of classical music, time and commitment for sourcing performers and planning concerts. Volunteers: 2 with social media, and others with willingness to help. Performers: Professional level classical musicians mostly from BC.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No debts.

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<p>The Whistler Chamber Music Society (WCMS) is applying for a CEP grant of \$2000 to subsidize performer fees for the concerts presented in 2024. WCMS hires accomplished professional musicians who are fairly remunerated. Performance fees are by far the largest expense for the WCMS.</p> <p>The Chamber Music Society was formed in 2017 with the intent to enable local music lovers to hear quality classical music without travelling to the city. The performers are professional musicians playing in ensembles of 1 - 6 on a variety of instruments - strings, brass, wind, guitar, piano and voice. They are encouraged to play a wide selection of music and to chat about their instruments and the pieces they are playing, something the audiences appreciate.</p> <p>Concerts are held on Sunday afternoons at 5 PM, and last approximately one hour with no intermission. This time as proven to be extremely popular with visitors and locals alike. All concerts are now held in Maury Young Arts Centre theater.</p> <p>The WCMS has found these concerts appeal to Whistler audiences, which include mostly local residents and many of our older Whistlerites. From its beginnings the Society has built up a loyal audience. This was interrupted by the two-year hiatus due to Covid 19. In the last two years we have seen our audiences grow. On Oct. 15, 2023, the Ian Parker concert was attended by 153 adults, 26 youth. On Feb. 4, 2024, we hosted a piano and violin concert to 177 adults and 20 youth.</p> <p>We booked three concerts for this spring, 2024: Kai Gleusteen & Catherine Ordroneau, a piano/violin duo on Feb. 4, La Modestine on March 10, and The Four Jays on April 7. We plan for two more concerts in the fall of 2023, but negotiations are not yet finalized</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No, this is an ongoing program.	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>The Vancouver Symphony concerts are very popular in Whistler, but there are limited other opportunities to hear classical music. Our population is too small to support many classical musicians as a commercial business. The WCMS was formed to bring classical music to music lovers here, who might not be willing or able to drive to Vancouver for this opportunity. Whistler is definitely a sports town, but art and music offerings help the resort to be a cultural town as well.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>We have no other grants anticipated this year.</p> <p>RMOW 2024 CEP Grant Pending.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	\$11,000.	\$2,000.	Performers' Fees
General operations:	\$1,150.00		Promotions, Box Office, credit card fees, office expenses
One-time project / program:	NA	N/A	
Physical assets:	N/A	N/A	None.
Rent (RMOW facilities):	N/A	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	\$4,275.00		Venue rental, including piano and audion as required.
Other:	\$425.00		Liability Insurance, cc fees.
Total	16,859.00 \$	\$	<u>12</u> % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>The WCMS has been pleased and relieved to see audiences grow after the Covid years. It is difficult to balance the need to keep ticket prices affordable while offering the quality of performers that we wish to hear. We are trying to reach a wider audience via social media and are endeavouring to track where our audiences learned about the concerts. As has been true for almost every aspect of life, our costs have risen recently. We appreciate any financial assistance to make our contribution to the cultural life of Whistler viable.</p> <p>We have two remaining concerts booked for the spring 2024 series. La Modestine will be playing music of the Renaissance and Baroque peiods on March 10. The Four Jays, playing piano, violin, saxaphone and bass will be here on April 7. Our bookings for the two concerts planned for the fall of 2024 are not yet finalized. We look forward to the continued support for these concerts by the lovers of classical music in Whistler.</p>	

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Other: Copies of proposed budget, posters for the March 10 and Feb 4 concerts, a program and a screenshot of our website - www.whistlerchambermusic.ca , certification.	

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing 2. Climate Action 3. Community Engagement 4. Smart Tourism <p>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</p>
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<p>This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" by offering opportunities for local music lovers to gather together to listen to beautiful classical music right here where we live. With so many familiar faces in the audience, in particular the older residents of Whistler, these concerts invoke a strong sense of community and belonging.</p> <p>There are many children taking music lessons--piano, violin and guitar--in Whistler. The WCMS contacts music teachers in Whistler and Pemberton to pass on concert information to them and their students as the concerts offer opportunities for music students to hear professional classical musicians perform. These concerts offer students the opportunity to engage with the community the same as adult listeners.</p> <p>The WCMS offers increased volunteer opportunities-- as Directors and casual volunteer roles, a satisfying community engagement.</p> <p>The WCMS enjoys and appreciates working with Arts Whistler staff to present concerts in Maury Young Arts Centre theatre, a wonderful asset to this community.</p> <p>The addition of WCMS concerts enhances the visitor experience by enriching the cultural landscape. The Sunday night 5-6pm concert times (no intermission) is convenient for those visitors and locals looking for an activity after a day on the slopes or trails but before they head out for dinner.</p> <p>Regular classical music concerts expands the cultural offerings in Whistler. Music, including classical music, is often beneficial to mental health. The work required to present these concerts is worthwhile when audience members come up after the concert to say how much they enjoyed the beautiful music, how amazing the performers were, and how grateful they are that they can hear this calibre of classical music right here in Whistler without having to travel to the city.</p>	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

At all performances, our introductory speaker begins the concert with the acknowledgment of whose territory we are meeting on. Sometimes, if we have non-Canadians in the audience, this may lead to a discussion after the concert.

The mandate of WCMS is to bring classical chamber music to Whistler. This is music of specific times and places. We will continue to search out indigenous classical musicians for possible future performances.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Gail Rybar
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: (Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)	Whistler SeaWolves Swim Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	n/a
Society Registration Number:	S-0051771
Organization Mailing Address:	c/o Lynda Harnish, [REDACTED]
Contact Name & Title:	Lynda Harnish, Administrator/Accountant
Organization Phone Number:	609-220-4117
Organization Email Address:	info@whistlerseawolves.com and [REDACTED]
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	All inclusive sports organization encouraging youth and adults to take part in competitive swimming; focusing on maintaining and/or improving athletic performance through targeted coaching and specific training programs.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	15 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	115 participants
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	92 (ages 7 to 18)
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	Approximately 100 of our 115 members are Whistler Residents. The remainder of our members reside north of Whistler (in Pemberton or Mount Currie), where there is not an indoor swimming facility.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	7 volunteer Executive Board members, 1 Head Coach, 3 Assistant Coaches, 1 Accountant/Administrator, 25-60 volunteers for swim meets, fundraisers and team events.
Age range of participants in the organization:	7 to 60+

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlerseawolves.com
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Members must be at least seven years old* and able to swim at least one lap of the pool without assistance; more specifically with a recognizable freestyle stroke and capable breathing to the side. *The minimum age is a safety precaution as the kids must be both physically and mentally capable of handling themselves in a large pool filled with other swimmers for an hour at a time. For those younger than six (or unable to swim a lap of the pool on their own) the RMOW offers swimming lessons throughout the year.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No.

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>1. \$1,500.00 for Accounting and Administrative Costs-- We are requesting funds to cover a small amount of our every growing "non-pool" related support system. This work consists of processing payroll, registering athletes three times per year, ordering equipment and supplies, maintaining the daily books and records, producing quarterly and annual financial statements, paying bills, filing taxes and license fees, reviewing contracts, filing annual and periodic reports, organizing board meetings, as well as responding to daily emails and inquiries.</p> <p>2. \$500.00 for Training Equipment-- Due to general wear and tear, as well as the pool chemicals, about half of our daily training equipment such as kick-boards, pull-buoys and flippers used for our Bronze and Masters groups require replacement yearly. Grant monies for this would ensure an upgrade of all of the less-than-optimal items this spring.</p> <p>3. \$2,000.00 for Away Meet Coaching and Travel Costs-- As our club athletes continue to progress, we have more and more athletes wanting to compete at higher levels. As such, we would like to offer the opportunity for anyone wishing to register for more competitive meets in Richmond, Victoria, Kelowna or Kamloops to be able to do so. These two to three-day meets are invaluable for swimmers to experience real competitions, gain confidence and strive for excellence. Participation in these meets can also showcase these swimmers to potential High-Performance and University Coaches, should they be interested in pursuing their swimming at an elevated level in the future. Our registration costs do not cover all the expenses necessary for us to enter as many meets as we would like, therefore, we are requesting funding to cover a small portion of coaching costs and coaches travel expenses to help ensure that athletes of all ages and abilities may participate.</p> <p>4. \$500.00 for our Junior Coaching Program Expenses-- This program gives swim club athletes (ages 14-16) the opportunity to learn coaching skills under the close supervision of our Head Coach and earn an hourly wage while doing so. The Junior Coaches learn valuable lessons about responsibility, respect, and responsiveness, which they will carry into their adult lives. Ultimately, the Junior Coaches will have the opportunity to mentor younger swimmers on their own, and the Club will have a pipeline of experienced candidates from which to recruit Assistant Swim Coaches in the future. To date we have had over 10 enthusiast participants who have continued coaching with us throughout their breaks in their University schedules and beyond.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No.	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Once again our programming is almost at full capacity at every swimming level—from the beginning competitive swimmers in our Bronze group, through to our evening Master's program.</p> <p>The large and ever-growing interest in our sport stems from the fact that the general public has embraced its truly unique benefit: it provides a high level of cardio fitness training in a non-impact environment, making it a true lifelong sport, as well as a lifesaving skill.</p> <p>Every day, we hear from the families in our swimming community about how appreciative and grateful they are that their kids are able to continue participating in a sport they love.</p>	

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<p>Fiscal Year Beginning July 1 2023--</p> <p>1. BC Community Gaming Grant (approved July 1 2023). \$17,000.00. To assist with operating costs essential to the direct delivery of the program.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	96,500.00	2,000.00	Swim meet coaching and associated Travel Costs
General operations:	48,400.00	1,500.00	Accounting and Administrative Services, including Accounting Software
One-time project / program:	0.00	0.00	
Physical assets:	0.00	0.00	
Rent (RMOW facilities):	28,500.00	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	0.00	0.00	
Other:	2,000.00	1,000.00	Pool training equipment, and Junior coaching program
Total	\$ 175,400.00	\$ 4,500.00	2.57 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

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Our club continues to provide a significant amount of its own direct support through its two annual fundraising events: our Annual Swim-a-Thon (during the first week of each November) and our annual SeaWolves Invitational Swim Meet (the last weekend in May). This fiscal year, our Swim-A-Thon raised over \$14,000, and we anticipate that our May Meet will raise close to \$2,000. Furthermore, due to increasing interest and requests from other clubs in and around the Sea-to-Sky corridor, North Van and the Sunshine Coast, are also planning a new Winter Whistler SeaWolves Invitational in late November 2024 which we hope will become an annual event.

We typically have between 80-90% of our club's junior athletes participating in both the swim-a-thon as well as our home swim meets. In addition, approximately 75% of their parents volunteer either as lap counters, timers, officials or hosts. The funds raised by these events help defray the costs of registration for all participants, thus allowing us to offer one of the lowest fees for competitive swim programs in the greater Vancouver area.

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<p>COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT--Swimming is an extremely valuable life skill, as well as a lifetime sport. It offers intense cardio training, and improves personal health while minimizing any forced impact to the body. It is also a very important rehabilitation activity, as well as being an important part of an amateur or high-performance athlete's cross-training program. Furthermore, since it is an indoor sport in a temperature-controlled environment without weather dependencies, swim training can take place year-round, further enriching community life.</p> <p>As part of our club guidelines we request that parents of our athletes volunteer at least two times per year--at one (or both) of our fundraising events and/or our periodic time-trials. We also try to encourage parents to get back into the pool with their kids at our annual Family Swim Meet. This last-day-of-the-year session always proves to be super exciting, as the on-lookers cheer for parents vs kids in individual sprint events, as well as family vs family in team relay races. We have noticed these events tend to result not only in the kids to swimming extremely fast, but also their parents rediscovering their love of swimming, and we often have parents signing up for our Masters Swim Program in the following session.</p>	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

Each year, on September 30, we plan on participating along with other competitive swim clubs and athletes across Canada in the ORANGE (swim) CAP Campaign Fundraising Efforts coordinated by Team Aquatics Supply LTD. Wearing of an orange swim cap while training, is intended to honour the residential school experience and support those who continue to be affected by the genocidal residential school system.

We feel that this is an opportunity for our individual swimmers as well as our club to get involved and support Reconciliation. It is also a way for us to contribute funds to such a valuable cause, as through our purchasing of an orange cap for each of our swimmers, 100% of the proceeds of our expenditure will be given to local indigenous sporting communities via our equipment vendor--Team Aquatics Supply. By coordinating our effort with other swim clubs throughout Canada, we feel that we can make a bigger difference, not only monetarily, but also by providing continued awareness of this monumental commitment to truth and reconciliation to all of the swimming community across the country.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Lynda Harnish, Administrator/Accountant
Phone number:	[REDACTED]
Email:	info@whistlerseawolves.com and [REDACTED]
Acknowledgement:	<div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.</div>
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Youth Soccer Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	Youth Soccer
Society Registration Number:	S-45988
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 1203, Whistler, B.C. V0N1B2
Contact Name & Title:	Erin Crawford - Club Registrar
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	whistlersoccer@hotmail.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To organize memorable soccer experiences while nurturing a love of sport and participation.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Sport

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	26 Years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	We have signed 307 participants registered for the 2023/2024 season. We open our registration for the 2024/2025 season at the end of February.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	We have 28 players who are registered in our U18 program.
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	280 Participants are Whistler residents.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	1 Registrar 8 Board Members 1 Head / Technical Coach
Age range of participants in the organization:	4 Years Old - 18 Years Old

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlersoccer.com https://www.facebook.com
What are the membership and participation requirements?	The Whistler Youth Soccer Club is an Inclusive Club. Anyone between the ages of 4 - 18 years old can participate. +
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	WYSC does not have any outstanding debt. WYSC is fortunate to have a long standing relationship with Facillites, and as such our Head Coach as well as one other coach (who is also a Board member) are able to act as the facility attendant during our indoor practices which is a significant cost saving to us in rental/attendant fees.

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>The purpose of the grant is to assist WYSC to cover a small amount of costs to keep soccer affordable for all its members.</p> <p>Soccer is one of a few team sports in our community and keeping it accessible to all is extremely important.</p> <p>1 – House Team Coaching Wages \$3000</p> <p>To assist with offsetting some wages for our coaches who provides daily instruction during practices to our players for our preschool to U9 teams. These trained coaches also ensure that BC Soccer standards are upheld, and our players are getting the best experience possible. Our youngest players are given some of our best coaches to provide them the best chances to have proper skill development and game modeling as well as to ensure they have FUN!</p> <p>3 – Tournaments \$3000</p> <p>With the full return of tournament offerings for all age groups, WYSC will be registering our U10 – U18 Girls and Boys teams into one tournament each in the Spring and one in the fall (2 tournaments per year) this will mean approximately 11 of our teams that will participate in tournaments throughout the lower mainland and the Okanagan. Tournaments offer a wider opportunity to play against teams that are from different divisions and levels of play building as well they offer a chance for the team to travel and stay together building a sense of team and accountability to each other.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>This is not a new program. The Whistler Youth Soccer Club has been providing soccer programming to the youth of Whistler for 25 years.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>The WYSC organizes league play for its members (U5 - U18 ages) in Whistler and the lower mainland with our younger teams enjoying play VS Pemberton teams with additional regional tournament play for ages 10 and up. We strive to foster a passion for the sport of soccer by delivering quality, affordable programs, enhancing player self esteem, fostering respect for others and the game, while enriching community life. We offer program options that work with and around our players that play other sports, while at the same time offering competitive team options for our players whose main sport is soccer eliminating the need for families to travel to the City for high quality, competitive soccer.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>The Whistler Youth Soccer Club has not applied for any granting or funding that was rejected in the existing year.</p> <p>Granting:</p> <p>2022 Pitch in Day, Group Participation – \$630.00</p> <p>2022 Community Enrichment Grant – \$5,000</p> <p>2022 BC Gaming Grant application – Approved for \$12,000</p> <p>Rotary Club - \$500</p> <p>2023 Community Enrichment Grant – Approved for \$5,000</p> <p>2023 BC Gaming Grant – Approved for \$6,000</p> <p>2023 Pitch in Day Participation \$630.00</p> <p>2024 Community Enrichment Grant – Applying for \$6,000</p> <p>2024 Gaming Grant will be applying for in May 2024 for \$10,000</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents your provide in your application			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	\$120, 600	\$3,000	Coaching fees for preschool to U9 coaches
General operations:	\$39,450	\$3,000	Will be applied to trournament entry fees
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	\$18,000	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	178, 050 \$	6,000.00 \$	3.4 _____ % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing 2. Climate Action 3. Community Engagement 4. Smart Tourism <p>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>1/ WYSC has both volunteer and paid coaches who dedicate many hours to our organization, providing our community’s youth with quality coaching, a safe and fun space to participate in sport.</p> <p>2/ WYSC provides local youth the opportunity to participate in low-cost, year-round sport that encourages and promotes a healthy life-style through exercise and social connection. Team play is a great social learning experience and fosters respect and develops a sense of belonging and self-esteem.</p> <p>3/ WYSC strives to give back to the community wherever possible. We partner with the primary schools by providing low-cost soccer instruction as an alternative to gym classes, which helps teachers learn new skills to use throughout the year and exposes all students to the game of soccer while at school, removing barriers to participation.</p> <p>4/WYSC continues to provide two \$500 scholarships to Whistler Secondary School each year to 1 male and 1 female graduate who has shown exceptional characteristics whilst being a member of our organization which is used towards post-secondary education. WYSC has added an additional \$500 if a student attends Waldof and plays for WYSC and wishes to apply for the scholarship.</p> <p>4/ WYSC encourages older members to become qualified referees and supports and mentors them on the field. This helps them become confident in their capacity to referee and provides them with the opportunity to keep active and involved in the community whilst being paid.</p> <p>5/ WYSC encourages and mentors older members to volunteer on field with younger players enabling them to complete required volunteer hours for school. It’s also a great opportunity for all to experience new opportunities and be involved with various age groups within our community.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Líl'wat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>The Whistler Youth Soccer Club (WYSC) works collaboratively with Alphonse Wallace the Recreation Coordinator from Líl'wat Nation to ensure any player that would like to participate on a team in Whistler is able to. This has included assisting with the fees for the program, communicating available programs that WYSC offers and offering equipment or gear to anyone who requires it.</p> <p>WYSC, the Pemberton Youth Soccer Association and Alphonse worked together with Squamish Youth Soccer Association to ensure that any player from Líl'wat Nation that wanted to attend the BC Soccer coaching course that was being hosted in Pemberton be notified of the opportunity and be aware that all players/coaches attending would be reimbursed for the course fee.</p> <p>WYSC will continue to look for ways to work collaboratively and engage any player from our local Indigenous Nations who wish to play soccer with WYSC.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Erin Crawford
Phone number:	778-686-1896
Email:	whistlersoccer@hotmail.com
Acknowledgement:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.
Signature:	

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Youth Baseball Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	Whistler T-Ball
Society Registration Number:	S0079854
Organization Mailing Address:	8143 Meadow Lane, Whistler BC V8E0G3
Contact Name & Title:	Steve Hackenburg, Director
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	whistler.teeball@gmail.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	increase youth and community involvement in youth baseball and providing a well structured program at low cost for community members
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	2024 is our 2nd year
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	50 participants and over 12 volunteer coaches
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	0
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	50 Kids and 50+ adults
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	8-12
Age range of participants in the organization:	3-5 years

What are the membership and participation requirements?	3-5 years of age. live in whistler or pemberton
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	no

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1. Purpose of Grant	<p><i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i></p> <p>Thanks for the opportunity to present for the 2024 CEP funding. Whistler T-Ball was formed and funded in 2023 by my wife and I ([REDACTED]). We wanted to provide the kids ages kids (3-5) in whistler with an avenue to engage in the team sport of baseball at a low cos for community members as well as great way for the kids to play in a team sport not yet offered in our town. With minor league baseball starting at age 6+, our program was designed to community members together every week to learn the sport of baseball, engage and be active.</p> <p>In 2024, our goal is to bring 50 kids between the ages of 3-5 into our program which runs June 1st to July 27th. We require all parents to stay at the ball park during our sessions thus creating a a great way for parents to socialize with other members of the community.</p> <p>This year will are budgeting to purchase New Jersey's and Hats for the kids. Additionally, we will need to purchase various pieces of new equipment which is outlined in our capital budget</p> <p>Items include new helmets, a few dozen new baseballs, 4 bats, new cones, uniforms (hats and jersey tennis balls), bases, a storage shed and funding to provide a healthy snack for every player the end of every session. all our spends are highlighted in the 2024 budget.</p>
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2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>This is our second year running the program. our goal is be able to field at least four teams of 10-12 players so we can begin holding real games near the end of t season. Our goal is register over 50 kids to the program and take the cost away from community members by raising money through community programs, member donations and sponsorships</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>On our very first practice of 2023 over 75 community members attended session. Our kids have a variety of daycare options for those who get a spot. Our saturday session introduced members of our community whom many of never met and fostered numerous local relationships for the parents and kids. Our kids experienced a new, active, outdoor team sport which required learning the rules, listening to coaches and volunteers while having a lot of fun</p>	
4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Soliciting Sponsors for the 2024 season Membership donation End of year BBQ/fundraiser in planning stages 	

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GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	0	0	volunteer based organization
General operations:	\$6,700	3,350	equipment, uniforms, storage shed, snacks
One-time project / program:	0	0	
Physical assets:	0	0	
Rent (RMOW facilities):	0	N/A	Donated field by RMOW
Rent (other facilities):	0	0	
Other:	0	0	
Total	\$ 6700	\$ 3,350	<u>50</u> % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

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Thank you for your consideration. Last year was an absolute success. the only draw back was it was hard to forecast the number of participants at the start of the season as it seemed to grow every week with new faces. We did the best with the equipment we had but could def use more safety equipment, bats and balls to create a smoother program which can cater to more players. I purchased 40 hats last year and wish we had the budget for more like 75 so every player had a hat and uniform and the sense of belonging to a team

We supplied a healthy snack of fruit, water and a granola bar to every player as well at the end of the session. I think this was one of the kids best parts of the practice but it brought everyone together for a positive way to end the day with smiles, stories and high fives. I plan to continue this as part of the program so none of our children never leave hungry. Funding will allow us to better forecast what is needed to keep this a part of our program

We appreciate your time and support

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>3. Whistler T-Ball has increased community engagement and introduced many new kids and parents to each other in the 2023. Spending over an hour together every saturday fostered a great sense of community for our players, coaches, volunteers and parents. Every parent is required to stay at the park during our sessions which provide a great forum for our kids and parents interact, learn about each other and become new friends</p> <p>This grant will help us increase community engagement and provide a no cost option for outdoor team sport where kids can meet new local friends and learn a new team sport that has never offered in whistler for 3-5 year olds. this program will also help feed the whistler minor league ball with players looking to continue to play the sport of baseball here in Whistler</p> <p>Whistler minor league baseball and whistler T-Ball have discussed multiple times ways we can continue to help each other and spread the love of baseball to kids and community members</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>We plan to look into this further but have not as of yet</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Steve Hackenburg
Phone number:	
Email:	whistler.teeball@gmail.com
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Association of Whistler Area Residents for the Environment (AWARE)
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	892079443RR0001
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 1370, Whistler, BC, V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Charlotte Reid, Program Manager
Organization Phone Number:	N/A
Organization Email Address:	creid@awarewhistler.org info@awarewhistler.org
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Safeguarding habitat, biodiversity and wilderness values, and building a sustainable, resilient community.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Environment

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	35, since 1989
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	Over 3000 program and event participants. Over 40,000 people served through Zero Waste Heroes enterprise. 143 active members
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	N/A
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	120 of the active members are Whistler residents and we also have an active mailing list of over 2100 engaged community members who receive the latest environmental news and updates.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	11 Volunteer Board Members 1 full time staff member 2-3 part time paid staff 10-15 casual summer employees
Age range of participants in the organization:	All ages including youth

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.awarewhistler.org @AwareWhistler
What are the membership and participation requirements?	No requirements. All programs and events offered using both participant fee and free models.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No debt, we gratefully receive in kind support from RMOW through shared office space location with Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council (Cheakamus)

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>There are three parts to this application, recognising the different areas of AWARE's operations and ability to reach their community through varying programs and educational outreach both in-person and online. AWARE would like to apply for the following through the 2024 CEP grant:</p> <p>1. GROW - Increase Cheakamus Community Outdoor Garden Capacity The GROW program increases in popularity every year. In the last two years we have had a waitlist of over 25 people looking for boxes. The grant would provide funding to expand Cheakamus Community Outdoor Garden. With continued growth in housing and rental development, the garden site needs to be capitalised. Specifically, we need 6 new boxes, and 10 boxes rebuilt to maximise their capacity. In addition to addressing the global need for food security the program also addresses RMOW goals of community well-being, reducing 'food miles' and associated carbon emissions, and reducing waste from packaging free food.</p> <p>2. Zero Waste Heroes - Educational Assets Zero Waste Heroes is AWARE's social enterprise working with local events to design out waste, divert waste from landfill during event days, and educate station users on recycling best practices. Also located in the Whistler parks and at Whistler Farmers Markets on the weekends, this program has over 40,000 station users every year. Currently station education predominantly happens through the station host, whilst extremely effective we want to increase the stations ability to educate the user beyond the hosts interaction. Funds will be used to create new educational tools and fun educational games that can easily be transported and integrated into the current Zero Waste Station setup. For example, increasing station signage for event grounds with impactful messages e.g. identifying common contaminants in our local recycling / compost streams. In addition, our current Zero Waste educational assets are out-of-date. Funds will also allow us to update existing resources to reflect changes to the current recycling best practices.</p> <p>3. Keela Annual Subscription + Updates: The AWARE team works both remotely and from the office depending on program requirements. Improved technology better connects staff with casual employees and allows us to more effectively deliver programs in the community. As subscription fees increase we struggle to maintain online systems required to support our casual workforce and contacts database. Our contact management system introduced through COVID has become an essential tool to run operations and connect with the community (particularly with members, program participants (e.g. GROW), volunteers and donors). Introducing the Keela Campaigns tools for programs and fundraising will enable AWARE staff to streamline administration and seamlessly connect systems (project management, scheduling, financial management).</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>All programs currently exist and have a proven track record at engaging the Whistler community in actions that benefit the environment.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p><small>In 2023:</small></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reached 1400 students (4-18) and educated them in topics around climate action and zero waste. - Added two new high profile events to our growing Zero Waste Heroes Events portfolio - helping more events design out waste, reduce overall waste produced, increase waste diverted, as well as engaging their participants on waste diversion + reduction best practices. - Served over 48000 people at Zero Waste Stations at Whistler parks, Whistler farmers market, and third-party events across the Sea to Sky, including Crankworx and the Arc'teryx Climbing Academy. - Diverted over 5000kg of waste from the landfill. - Provided growing space for over 400 gardeners. - 1000 local community members participate in Go By Bike initiatives - Offered 5 different events for community members to participate in the movement towards a circular economy - clothing swap, garage sale and repair cafe's. <p><small>In 2024, AWARE will bring to the table a reinvigorated strategic plan. AWARE's mission remains the same; safeguarding habitat, biodiversity and wilderness values; and building sustainable, resilient communities. In the first iteration of our strategic intent, the 2024 plan will look to operate under an umbrella of Circular Economy. In this context, the programs offered by AWARE can be seen supporting a wider ambition on climate. We propose to embark on a direct campaign to enlist wider support from community members through a variety of advertising, marketing, workshops and engagement activities to build momentum both for AWARE as the spokesperson for environmental stewardship and to build increased leverage for appropriate, urgent, and community driven actions on climate. We look forward to the year ahead.</small></p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>AWARE enters each year with zero dollars of secure funding. Since 2019, we have secured close to \$300,000 per year for delivery of Whistler-focused conservation and climate related programming. We have achieved this by building a mixed model with (annually) around one third of revenues coming from grants, fundraising, donations and memberships, one third from project contracts, and the remaining third from our Zero Waste Heroes social enterprise.</p> <p>This year, to diversify unrestricted funds we are focussing on increasing fundraising opportunities, community and membership engagement.</p> <p>We are early on in the year 2024. To date we have not received any rejected / non-approved funding requests at this stage.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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Salaries/contracts:	198,680		
General operations:	14,400	3400	Keela (CRM) software + upgrades
One-time project / program:		3000	GROW - Lumbar, supplies, tools
Physical assets:		3000	Zero Waste Educational Assests - A frames, collapsible posters, printing etc.
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	213,080 \$	9400 \$	4.4 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

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Please see breakdown of budget in relation to the three components of the application:

GROW - Cheakamus Community Garden - Box rebuilds / new builds

\$2200 Lumbar

\$300 Corner supports, fabric liner, screws

\$500 Project Mgmt

Total = \$3000

Zero Waste Heroes - Educational Assets

\$500 Creation of new educational assets

\$2000 Physical purchases - A Frames, collapsible posters, cornhole game etc.

\$1000 Printing

Total = \$3000

Keela - CRM database + improvements

\$2628 annual subscription

\$780 premium upgrades

Total = \$3408

We would like to thank Council for taking the time to consider this application.

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<p>This grant application addresses the priority areas of 2. Climate Action, and 3. Community Engagement.</p> <p>GROW offers community members the opportunity to grow organic food locally which supports community climate action goals (Big Move #6) and aligns with chapter 8 of the OCP (community well-being). The GROW program increase access to secure and affordable fresh food; reduces ‘ food miles ’ compared to buying fresh produce at stores; reduce consumption of food that has been commercial packaged (i.e. waste reduction); provides opportunities for low intensity physical activity bringing health benefits; increase sense of belonging and connection to community. The GROW program connects neighbours with each other, leading to increased opportunities for community support. Growing your own food is self-satisfying and thus greatly improves well-being.</p> <p>Zero Waste Heroes - educational assets will provide the community with increased opportunities for climate action through connections related to the Big Moves strategy, primarily focussing on Big Move #6 and Big Move #1. Education will inspire waste and emission free living, waste reduction and diversion best practices, as well as highlighting local waste challenges. This supports both Climate Action and Community Engagement priority actions as it will allow us to share Whistler's zero waste initiatives and goals with community members and visitors.</p> <p>Keela - subscription + upgrades supports the priority area of Community Engagement by allowing us to communicate with our members, program participants, volunteers, and donors.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Líl'wat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>AWARE works alongside the Skwxwú7mesh and L'il'wat7úl Nations to ensure our forests, wetlands and developed spaces are managed with respect. We acknowledge and embrace the Indigenous approach that the environment is shared and all elements should be used thoughtfully. A large part of our efforts teach people to be accountable for their actions (e.g. Zero waste). We are focused on a better future together.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Charlotte Reid
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	Awareness and Intervention - Fi
Society Registration Number:	SOO35266
Organization Mailing Address:	101 - 315 W 1st St. North Vancouver
Contact Name & Title:	Liz Charyna, Executive Director
Organization Phone Number:	604-926-0856
Organization Email Address:	executivedirector@pathwayssm
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To alleviate the suffering caused by serious mental illnesses; schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, borderline personality, PTSD, depression, and offering awareness, education, advocacy and support to families affected by serious mental illness.20
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Social - Community Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	21
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	900
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	N/A
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	150
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	1 ED, 3 Staff, 120 volunteers
Age range of participants in the organization:	All ages. 12 years to 90 + years

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://pathwayssmi.org/ https://www.facebook.com/pathwayssmis/ https://www.instagram.com/pathwayssmis/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Participants are required to be caring for a loved one with a serious mental illness (schizophrenia, Bipolar disorder, borderline personality, depression, anxiety, PTSD, concurrent
<p>Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)</p>	No.

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society support families who have loved ones with a serious mental illness through education, support, awareness and advocacy.</p> <p>Our programs are targeted on the caregiver, the family member or friend of the person with a serious mental illness and aims to reduce the stigma of mental illness while providing knowledge of the signs and treatment of mental illness.</p> <p>Firsthand Stories is one of the ways that we promote awareness and early intervention through our members who have lived experience of mental illness sharing their story with secondary school students. Students become aware of the prevalence of mental illness and how to identify signs and advocate for treatment.</p> <p>We also offer presentations to community groups and businesses that help reduce the stigma and understand how many people (1 in 100) are affected by serious mental illness.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>It is not a new program, but it has been wonderful to take our resources and support to the people in Whistler.</p> <p>We want to break the stigma of mental illness and offer support and education to the people who care for a loved one with a mental illness.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Learning about Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society can help the people of Whistler in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Whistler residents will learn the signs and treatment for mental illness - Whistler residents will know they can come to Pathways for support whether in a group setting or one to one, or to join an 8 week Family to Family course - Whistler families will have the help they need for their loved one with a serious mental illness and have more empathy for people with lived experience. - Early intervention and awareness of serious mental illness helps the person with lived experience, the person caring for 	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> 2. <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>Grant applications are PENDING:</p> <p>West Vancouver Foundation \$10K</p> <p>City of North Vancouver \$9 K</p> <p>District of North Vancouver \$7</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	200000	2500	coordination and oversight to program
General operations:		2000	volunteer recognition, volunteer mileage
One-time project / program:		2500	materials, supplies and promo
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	50000	N/A	North Vancouver office
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	\$ 250000	\$ 7000	2.8 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society provides support to the families and the people who care for people who have a mental illness. Families and caregivers are often overlooked and are an important factor for people with a mental illness to be well.

Pathways offers support, education and advocacy to family members, and awareness to the community members which increases empathy and problem solving skills for everyone, creating healthier communities.

We appreciate funding and connection with community members in Whistler, and the opportunity to diversify our funding sources which help us be sustainable and effective.

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
<div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required) </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required) </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> • Other: </div>	

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p><i>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Housing</i> 2. <i>Climate Action</i> 3. <i>Community Engagement</i> 4. <i>Smart Tourism</i> <p><i>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</i></p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant addresses Community Engagement by educating, supporting and connecting community members in a number of ways;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Connecting neighbours together to learn about the sign of mental illness, and increase collective empathy for people with the illness and the people that love them -Increasing awareness of mental illness and the supports that are available to family members who have loved ones with lived experience -Providing peer support to community members and families 	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

We acknowledge the land in our email and in our presentations:

Example:

Liz Charyna

Executive Director

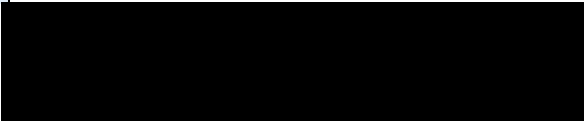
Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society

604-926-0856 | 101-315 1st Street West, North Vancouver, BC V7M 1B5

In the spirit of learning, it is important to continue to learn the longstanding history of indigenous people in BC. We acknowledge our office is on the unceded and traditional territory of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nation who have gathered and cared for the land here well before we arrived in this community. We raise our hands in thanks to these peoples for graciously allowing us to be on their homeland.

We invite participation from First Nations communities and will continue to reach out to them.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	The Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of BC
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	106993322 RR 0001
Organization Mailing Address:	763 BROADWAY E, Vancouver, BC, V5T1X8
Contact Name & Title:	Oliver Lum, Development Coordinator
Organization Phone Number:	(604) 872-3311
Organization Email Address:	info@crisiscentre.bc.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	The Crisis Centre of BC provides 24/7 mental health crisis response and suicide support services through phone call or chat for all communities in BC.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Social Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	Been operational since 1967
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	On our phone lines we have answered more than 35,000 calls from communities within BC.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	n/a
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	n/a
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	n/a
Age range of participants in the organization:	n/a

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://crisiscentre.bc.ca/ https://www.facebook.com/CrisisCentreBritishColumbia/ https://twitter.com/crisiscentrebc
What are the membership and participation requirements?	n/a
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	n/a

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>The purpose of this grant would be to allow for the Crisis Centre of BC to provide our safeTALK workshop (between 6-8 sessions) to the community of Whistler with the aim to have more local resources available to those in mental health crisis or need suicide intervention.</p> <p>safeTALK is an internationally recognized LivingWorks program that features powerful presentations, audiovisuals, and skills practice to empower community members to recognize the signs of someone in distress and how to get them in touch with the right resources to get further help. participants report increased comfort with the topic of suicide and increased preparedness to ask about suicide and help the person with thoughts get connected to resources to help build safety. 99.9% of safeTALK participants highly recommend this training.</p> <p>safeTALK trained staff improve an agency 's capacity to respond to suicide effectively. Participants will attain a certificate of completion from an internationally recognized evidence-based program. safeTALK is evidence-based with over 15 peer-reviewed reports and government studies, which found it:</p> <p>Improves skills and readiness Effective for participants as young as 15 years old Helps break down suicide stigma in the community Better skill retention compared to other connector programs</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No this is not a new program from the Crisis Centre, it has been ongoing and a highly used program across organizations and community members.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Our youth programs have seen success within the school districts in the Vancouver Coastal Health region; we have been able to complete 109 self-care workshops to classrooms ranging from grades 6-12. Programing for adults has been a high point for us here at the Crisis Centre with 29 safeTALK sessions completed, with an average of 30 attendees, means that we have 870 more community members who are prepared to be a resource.</p> <p>Our distress services have been busy, as always, and we are seeing a steady increase in incoming calls year over year. We have been able to answer over 35,000 calls in the 2022/2023 year and we are anticipating higher amounts this year. In 2023, we were happy to be able to take calls from the 9-8-8 National Suicide Helpline so that we can support more of our community members within BC and Canada.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>Pending - Whistler Community Foundation: \$5,000 for Youth Programming</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	1,994,576	7035	This would be for the wages for the facilitators and the program coordinator
General operations:	299,533	3570	Inclusive of meals and incidentals, travel cost, and promotional materials
One-time project / program:		2400	This would be for the accomodation costs of having our facilitators stay in whistler if needed
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	53,595		
Other:	198972		
Total	2,546,676 \$	13005 \$	005 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant is focused on community engagement to ensure that the local community is confident in helping each other when someone is in need. Finding support can be difficult, and this allows for more resources to be readily available to those within the community of Whistler.</p>	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

Our Crisis Centre is proud to care for residents living in the communities of Richmond, Vancouver, North Shore, Sea-to-Sky Corridor, Sunshine Coast, Powell River, Bella Bella and Bella Coola located within the traditional territories of the Heiltsuk, Kitasoo-Xai'xais, Lil'wat, Musqueam, N'Quatqua, Nuxalk, Samahquam, shíshálh, Skatin, Squamish, Tla'amin, Tsleil-Waututh, Wuikinuxv, and Xa'xtsa.

Our offices are located on the traditional territories of the Squamish, Musqueam and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. We recognize the effects of colonization on Indigenous peoples, specifically, the legacy of Residential Schools, forced relocations and adoptions, and the denial of identity, culture and language.

As a leader within the BC Crisis Line network, we work with the KUU-US crisis line that focuses on supporting our Indigenous populations.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Adaptive Sports Program Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S0049510
Organization Mailing Address:	Box 780, Whistler BC V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Shelley Milstein, [REDACTED]
Organization Phone Number:	604-905-4993
Organization Email Address:	smilstein@whistleradaptive.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	For over 20 years, the Whistler Adaptive Sports Program Society has been removing barriers to adventure for people with disabilities and neurodiversity, offering a full range of adaptive sports programs and a dynamic learning centre in Whistler.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	23 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	300
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	~225
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	150
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	8-12 staff and 100 volunteers
Age range of participants in the organization:	3-80

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://www.facebook.com/WhistlerAdaptiveSportsPr ogram https://www.instagram.com/whistleradaptive/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Participants (athletes) and volunteers must purchase an annual membership: athlete (\$30) or volunteer (\$15). Supporters may also purchase a membership (\$130). One-day participants may purchase a \$10 membership. Athletes are individuals with cognitive, sensory or physical disabilities or neurodiversities.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No outstanding debts. We also receive an in-kind donation for the use of the Alta Lake Cabin, value TBC.

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>Whistler Adaptive is requesting \$8,500 to support our Whistler-based adaptive sport programs and to support a bursary program for low-income Whistler residents.</p> <p>Adaptive Sport Programs WAS' adaptive sport programs provide year-round sport, recreational and therapeutic opportunities for hundreds of people with disabilities in the Sea to Sky area and tourists from around the globe. WAS' multi-sport programs are offered seven days a week for local Sea to Sky athletes and can also be reserved by visitors to the Whistler area.</p> <p>Funding from the RMOW would be used to support bursaries to local athletes with disabilities, as well as a small contribution to program costs:</p> <p>Program Costs We are requesting a small contribution to help support the cost of offering our programs. This would include items such as volunteer recruitment and training, supplies for our summer camps, and signage for programs.</p> <p>Bursary Program WAS programs are offered at a nominal fee in order to remain financially accessible for participants. However, living with a disability or neurodiversity can add significant costs to the family budget, making even low-cost programs challenging for some Whistler families to afford.</p> <p>Through this grant, we will be able to offer bursaries to low income Whistler residents aged 3 and up. Individuals are able to apply for up to \$1000 per year across our four-season programming. The bursary covers between 30-75% of a participants' fees in our community based sessions, depending on the frequency and type of program. Some Whistler Residents use Whistler Adaptive programming over 100 times a year, which would be directly supported through the RMOW funding of Whistler Resident bursaries.</p> <p>Bursary recipients must pass a financial means test and are vetted by a three person Bursary Committee who vote on the funding recommendations of our Athlete Coordinator. Bursary recipients also write a thank you letter to our bursary funders some of which we have included here.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No.	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>This Winter WAS welcomed a new Executive Director, Sian Blyth, the original founder of the organization and a long-time supporter. We also successfully reignited our volunteer program, which had suffered from the pandemic.</p> <p>Other highlights included two visits from the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, who visited our adaptive ski program on Whistler Mountain. We also worked with AMI-tv to showcase the sport of adaptive Nordic Skiing in the Callaghan Valley.</p> <p>Throughout the year we partnered with many organizations for special events including the Invictus Games, Camp Goodtimes and Canuck Place. Our Ski and Ride program in partnership with Vail Resorts gave over 1,300 lessons and our community multi-sport programs gave an additional 1,500 adaptive sports lessons to those living in the Sea to Sky and Vancouver.</p> <p>https://www.piquenewsmagazine.com/local-news/photos-prince-harry-visits-whistler-ahead-of-2025-invictus-games-7863506 https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-13084253/Prince-Harry-Meghan-Whistler-Canada-Winter-Invictus-Games.html</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>Grants applied for April 1, 2023 - February 2024:</p> <p>Approved Grants and Fundraisers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Here to Be (Lululemon) \$135,000 - Canadian Tire Jumpstart \$10,000 - Abercrombie Foundation \$80,000 - Annual Giving Campaign - \$51,000 - Delta Whistler Village Suites Raise the Roof \$9,000 - RMU Fundraising event \$4,000 - Squamish Community Foundation \$5,000 - Membership fees \$20,000 <p>Pending</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Canada Summer Jobs \$15,000 - Annual Gala \$80,000 - BC Gaming Grant \$60,000 - Hamber Foundation \$4,000 - Program fees \$72,000 - Whistler Community Foundation \$5,000 - Whistler Health Care Foundation \$4,000 - New grants yet to be applied for \$20,000 - Individual donations ~\$125,000 - Downhill Derelicts fundraiser \$60,000 <p>Declined</p> <p>None to date in this fiscal</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents you provide in your application			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	538,016	1500	Salaries for 8 core staff and hourly wages for seasonal coaches
General operations:	251,302.49		Program supplies, equipment maintenance, mileage, volunteer and staff training
One-time project / program:	8,000		Website rebuild
Physical assets:	15,000		Canoes, sailboat, adapted bike
Rent (RMOW facilities):	2,132.51	N/A	Meadow Park Swim Facility
Rent (other facilities):	3,300		Whistler Sport Legacies
Other:	11,000	7000	Sea to Sky Bursaries
Total	\$ 828,751	\$ 8500	1 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>We have included some of the thank you letters from our Bursary Recipients.</p> <p>The need for adaptive sports programming:</p> <p>A 2022 study by the University of Toronto's Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education determined that "based on available evidence, children and adolescents with disabilities received a grade of D for overall physical activity, F for active play and a C+ for organized sport and physical activity." These failing grades support what we already know: that individuals living with disabilities face many barriers in maintaining their health/wellbeing. Adaptive sports, recreation and gym equipment is hard to find. Local facilitators don't often have the knowledge, skills or confidence to support individuals with a physical disability. Parents of those living with a cognitive disability/Autism spend most of their time and energy focused on meeting daily needs like school, medical appointments, and managing challenging behaviours (University of Toronto, 2020). Many cannot participate in school or community teams and need extra support to participate in physical activity. And we know that people living with disabilities, and their families, often experience high levels of social isolation and struggle to feel a sense of belonging in their communities.</p> <p>WAS programs support this vulnerable and under-served population by providing access to sports and recreation activities that help to build physical literacy skills for life.</p> <p>Programs are tailored to the individual participants, including any adaptive equipment and specialized instruction needed to have a safe and enjoyable experience. Our summer programs offer outdoor sport and recreational programming such as hiking, biking, and athletics, as well as kayaking, canoeing, rowing and paddle boarding. Our winter programs include alpine ski and snowboard, Nordic skiing, and snowshoeing. Throughout the year we offer swimming lessons, yoga, strength and conditioning and other indoor activities.</p>	

7. Attachments:	Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:
<div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required)</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required)</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Other:</div>	

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</p> <div><div>1. Housing</div><div>2. Climate Action</div><div>3. Community Engagement</div><div>4. Smart Tourism</div></div> <p>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</p>
<p>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</p>	
<p>Smart Tourism</p> <p>WAS' programs and community work are directly aligned with the concept of SMART Tourism. As a leader in adaptive sports and recreation, we provide visitors to Whistler with unique offerings year-round. For many families traveling with person with a disability, the option of an adaptive sports and recreation program, accessible accommodations, and inclusive transportation heavily influence where they vacation. Our adaptive ski and snowboard program is one of the best in the world and attracts many families to visit the Whistler area, providing over 1,500 lessons to people from around the globe each year and bringing thousands of dollars to the local economy. WAS is also a leader in the emerging sport of adaptive mountain biking, bringing dozens of adaptive mountain bikers to Whistler each year through its athlete camps and private lessons and inspiring local businesses like Vail Resorts to follow in our footsteps. Our ongoing work on local accessibility and inclusion has helped make Whistler one of the most accessible resort communities in Canada, and we take the time to work with journalists, filmmakers, tourism groups, and so many others to help promote the destination as inclusive, innovative and welcoming. Most recently, this included hosting activities for the 2025 Invictus Games 2024 prep-camp, which not only brought visitors from around the world to participate in adaptive Alpine sports but culminated in a second visit to our adaptive ski facility by the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. The event drew over 50 media who shared photos and video footage of the famous pair learning about the types of adaptive Alpine skiing offered in Whistler, including Prince Harry having a go at sit skiing.</p> <p>Community Engagement</p> <p>WAS is proud of the work it has done to build opportunities for community engagement for its staff, volunteers and participants. Through our programs, local participants have access to sport and recreation programs that meet their diverse needs, allowing them to play in one of the world's most spectacular backyards. Program participants build confidence and skills to support their independence, create important networks of peer support and friendships. Our volunteer program provides opportunities for more than 100 residents each year to engage with their community in an incredibly meaningful way that builds understanding, inclusion and new skills. And our community partners and local businesses see how we work with our membership across the corridor, and are able to learn new ways to connect with and support our diverse Sea to Sky population.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

The RMOW is committed to working with the Líl'wat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.

9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

Our organization is invested in truth and reconciliation and is working to build and continuously share an understanding of our shared past while we navigate a way forward that is respectful, empathetic and that provides opportunities for our local Indigenous neighbors. This work is ongoing, and we welcome any opportunities and suggestions to collaborate with and support our local Indigenous Communities.

1) In our organizational training, we have included a sport-specific training on working with Indigenous athletes and make those available to coaches, board members and staff.

2) We work to find outside funding to support our Indigenous athletes so that they can continue to participate without financial burden.

3) Through Truth and Reconciliation Day on Sept 30th, we took advantage of the chance to share actions staff can take, community celebrations and events to participate in as well as free learning resources:

- Show your solidarity and support by wearing an Orange Shirt:

You can order an orange shirt online (or a flag) and pick it up today from the SLCC. The Orange Shirt Day movement was started by Phyllis Webstad, a member of the Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation and former residential school student, to honour Survivors and intergenerational Survivors, and to remember those children who never made it home. Orange Shirt Day is an opportunity for people of all ages, backgrounds, and cultural identities to engage with the legacies of the residential school system. <https://shop.slcc.ca/product-category/clothing-accessories/t-shirts-hoodies/orange-shirt/>

- Attend the SLCC for free on Saturday to commemorate National Day for Truth and Reconciliation with a full day of immersive programming: <https://slcc.ca/ndtr-at-the-slcc/>

- Attend the Squamish Commemoration for those who attended residential school <https://squamish.ca/discover-squamish/calendar/national-day-for-truth-and-reconciliation/>
Stay up to date on Indigenous issues through CBC Indigenous News: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/indigenous>

- Resources to learn about Indigenous history:

There are many great books to support learning about Indigenous history in Canada. Here is a reading list put together by the Calgary library. <https://calgary.bibliocommons.com/list/share/393989767/1135277198>

Free Course on Coursera – Indigenous Canada *I have done this course and it provides a good background on Indigenous history in Canada*.

Indigenous Canada is a 12-lesson Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) from the Faculty of Native Studies that explores the different histories and contemporary perspectives of Indigenous peoples living in Canada. From an Indigenous perspective, this course explores complex experiences Indigenous peoples face today from a historical and critical perspective highlighting national and local Indigenous-settler relations. Topics for the 12 lessons include the fur trade and other exchange relationships, land claims and environmental impacts, legal systems and rights, political conflicts and alliances, Indigenous political activism, and contemporary Indigenous life, art and its expressions.

<https://www.coursera.org/learn/indigenous-canada>

Free Course through UBC: Reconciliation through Indigenous Education

This course will help you envision how Indigenous histories, perspectives, worldviews, and approaches to learning can be made part of the work we do in classrooms, organizations, communities, and our everyday experiences in ways that are thoughtful and respectful. In this course, reconciliation emphasizes changing institutional structures, practices, and policies, as well as personal and professional ideologies to create environments that are committed to strengthening our relationships with Indigenous peoples.

For educators, this means responding to educational reforms that prioritize improved educational outcomes for Indigenous learners. In addition, educators must support all learners to develop their knowledge and understanding of Indigenous people's worldviews and cultures as a basis for creating equitable and inclusive learning spaces. To support these goals, teachers, administrators, young people, school staff, and researchers will learn from Indigenous Elders, educational leaders, and culturally relevant learning resources as part of their experiences in this course.

For others who want to build their own competence and the capacity of those around them to engage with in relationships with Indigenous peoples based on intercultural understanding, empathy, and respect, this course will help get you get started in this process.

<https://www.edx.org/learn/education/university-of-british-columbia-reconciliation-through-indigenous-education>

Free course through U of Toronto - Aboriginal Worldviews and Education

Intended for both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal learners, this course will explore indigenous ways of knowing and how they can benefit all students. Topics include historical, social, and political issues in Aboriginal education; terminology; cultural, spiritual and philosophical themes in Aboriginal worldviews; and how Aboriginal worldviews can inform professional programs and practices, including but not limited to the field of education.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Shelley Milstein	
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Signature:	<div></div>	Digitally signed by Shelley Milstein Date: 2024.02.15 07:32:26 -08'00'

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Sea to Sky Nordics
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S-0054154
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box , Squamish, BC, V8B 0B5
Contact Name & Title:	Jay Burbee
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	info@seatoskynordics.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To promote and conduct winter sports activities
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	15
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	365
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	130
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	65
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	Approximately 75
Age range of participants in the organization:	4 - 60+

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Facebook/Twitter/Instagram@seatoskynordics.ca www.seatoskynordics.ca
What are the membership and participation requirements?	There are no membership or participation requirements.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>Grant request \$5,000</p> <p>1) We would like to use approximately \$2,500 for skiing equipment for both our Biathlon and Cross Country Ski Programs</p> <p>2) We would like to use approximately \$2,500 for Range Equipment for our Biathlon Program</p> <p>3) We would like to use any remaining funds not spent on the above items for Coaching Expenses which is by far our largest expense items for the club</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No, all of our core programming of Cross Country skiing, Biathlon and Ski Jumping remain the same.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Last year was another great year for our youth in sports. We hosted the BC Biathlon Championships that attracted over 120 athletes from around the province and had over 50 local volunteers from the Whistler community help at the event. We also had three biathlon athletes qualify for the World Youth Championships to be held in Estonia this March one of which will be proudly representing the Whistler community!!</p>	

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<p>BC Gaming Grant: \$32,000 (received) ViaSport Event Hosting Grant : Requested \$4,000 (to come) Biathlon BC Regional Event Grant \$1,000 (to come)</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	94,897		
General operations:	80,540	5,000	Ski and Range Equipment
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	13,880		
Other:			
Total	\$ 189,317	\$ 5000	2.6 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

As we continue to recover from the pandemic what remains important is having access to safe, family oriented outdoor programs which greatly improve the physical and mental health of our community. This grant will support our programming which continues to benefit all of the families in the Whistler community.

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant addresses the priority of Enriching Community Life in a number of areas. We have increased Personal Health Status as our programming is mostly outdoors which remains incredibly important for the health of our community. We rely heavily on volunteer participation and contribute to Resident Volunteer Rates for both our regular programming and for hosting provincial events. Whistler athletes compete across BC, Canada and Internationally which contributes to a strong Sense of Belonging for our community. And finally, we improve Satisfaction and Recreational Opportunities with the scope and diversity of our programming which caters to a wide range of community and family needs.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Sea to Sky Nordics recognizes that we have no current participation by First Nations in our programs. We also recognize that this issue is prevalent in most snow sports in the Sea to Sky region. With the help of Biathlon Canada, we are going to be provided access to Laser rifles that can be easily used for safe introduction to biathlon in almost any location and are looking to introduce a school demonstration project throughout the Sea to Sky that will include Lilwat (Mount Currie).</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Alan Firth
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Zero Ceiling Society of Canada
Name of the program (if applicable):	Work 2 Live Alumni Support
Society Registration Number:	897518916RR0001
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 61, Whistler, BC, V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Emily Suckling, Development Manager
Organization Phone Number:	(604) 962-5000
Organization Email Address:	info@zeroceiling.org
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To end youth homelessness.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Social Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	27
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	110 Alumni Graduates 9 current W2L Participants 300+ Adventure Session Participants
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	74
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	53 -12 Permanent, Full-Time staff -4 Permanent, Part-Time staff -8 Casual staff -9 Board of Directors -20 Community Volunteers
Age range of participants in the organization:	16 - 27 years of age

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Website: www.zeroceiling.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/zeroceiling/ Instagram: www.instagram.com/zeroceilingsociety/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	We consider participants/alumni from Work 2 Live, participants from the Adventure Sessions, Board members, staff, volunteers, and voting members (i.e. people who register for and attend our AGM) as our membership. They are required to register with us as members. Membership is free.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>We are requesting \$10,000 to support the current and upcoming alumni of our Work 2 Live program. These participants have found a home in our community and continue to work, live, and explore in the Sea to Sky Corridor. Over 111 participants have graduated from Work 2 Live since 1998. We are currently actively supporting 8-10 graduates at any one time (approximately 16 total per year). Our largest cost is staffing, which is the most impactful and also the most difficult to find funding for. For this reason, we rely on the RMOW's support to help cover this incredibly important part of our program.</p> <p>Work 2 Live is a thriving supportive employment and housing program for our province's most vulnerable young people—those who are experiencing poverty, mental health issues, and/or homelessness. Most are Indigenous, 2SLGBTQ+, or have aged out of government care, or a combination of the three. They come to Whistler to find stability and family in the mountains, just like generations of other young people have done for years.</p> <p>Unlike some other programs that serve youth, we do not allow our participants to age out; rather, we continue to support them with the same unconditional care we give to current participants in the program while we help them transition into stable, healthy independence. Throughout the program, we become a part of their safety net, many of whom have no close, reliable, natural support systems.</p> <p>Similar to 2021, 2022 and 2023, we will again go toward wages of our Co-Executive Directors and one-on-one support for alumni of our Work 2 Live program. This will look like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mental health support (trauma-informed, low-barrier counselling provided through Vancouver Coastal Health, WCSS, the Howe Sound Women's Centre, and referrals to community programs) - Emergency funding (groceries, bills, healthcare, debt and other emergency costs) - Housing support (help finding, securing, and maintaining healthy housing in the Sea to Sky Corridor) - Employment support (help finding, securing, and maintaining employment in the Sea to Sky Corridor) - Life skills education & training (RentSmart Certificate, budgeting, soft skills, etc.) - Practical and emotional support (through individual check-ins) - Providing direct support to alumni (ranging from driving them to and from appointments, supporting them through suicide attempts, helping them pack and move out of bad living situations, buying bags of groceries and dropping them off when they've been ill, providing personal references for jobs and landlords, and more!) - Training and supporting the rest of the Programming Team to follow through with other supports for grads, as-needed 	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No. This program has been funded by the RMOW's CEP grant since 2017. Our 2021, 2022 and 2023 applications also covered Co-Executive Director wages and one-on-one support.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intaking 3 new participants into our program in the spring and in the fall; - Furthering our Justice, Equity, Decolonization, and Inclusion work with the support of our Zero Ceiling Auntie - Support up to 30 alumni and 9 current participants with supportive employment, affordable/supportive housing, access to mental health care and healthcare, life skills education, land-based programming, and 24/7/365 staff support - Continue to advocate for equity, affordability and access to supports in our community - Release the third year's and final findings in a multi-year research study with RRU that considers the impact of Work 2 Live on both the young people in the program and our 15 supportive employer partners - Employ 24 community members (including 1 alumni) 	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills, and Training (STE funding) - \$90,499 (Confirmed) - Reaching Home - \$327,799 (\$81,704 Confirmed until April, remaining \$246,095 pending) - Canada Summer Jobs - \$5,500 (Pending) - Research & Innovation - \$137,276 (Confirmed until April 2024) - Resort Municipality of Whistler CEP - \$10,000 (pending) - Canadian Heritage - \$84,000 (\$34,000 confirmed, \$50,000 pending) - Community Services Recovery Fund - \$10,000 (Confirmed in 2023) - Events - \$62,000 (Planned) - Donations & Major Gifts - \$94,000 (Planned) - Corporate Sponsorships - \$17,000 (Planned) - Maja Foundation - \$5,000 (Confirmed) - Sprott Foundation - \$5,000 (Confirmed) - Spencer Creo Foundation - 25,000 (pending) - Telus - \$20,000 (pending) - TK Foundation - \$30,000 (pending) - Young Foundation - \$5,000 (Pending) - WCF Caring Community - \$2,000 (Pending) - The Co-operators: \$30,000 (Confirmed) - Hockey Helps The Homeless - \$40,000 (pending) - Houssian Foundation - \$21,000 (pending) - The Hamber Foundation - \$2,500 (pending) - evo\$ - 20,000 (approved in 2023 pending in 2024) - TK Bank - \$30, 000 (Confirmed in 2023, 2024 and 2025) - WB donation - \$60,00 (confirmed in 2023, pending in 2024) - Fairmont Foundation - \$12,000 (pending) - Horsfall Eaton Foundation - \$1,000 (pending) - Bell Let's Talk - \$20,000 (pending) - The Wubs Foundation \$15,000 (pending) - Mahon Foundation - \$1,000 (Pending) - Mackay Family Fund - \$3,000 (Pending) - VCH - \$2,500 (Pending) 	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	797,070	6,000	Wages (Co-EDs)
General operations:	134,465	0	Work 2 Live Program
One-time project / program:	24,000	4,000	Alumni crisis response and emergency supports
Physical assets:	10	0	1519 Spring Creek Building
Rent (RMOW facilities):	0	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	0	0	
Other:	0	0	
Total	\$ 955,535	\$ 10,000	1.05 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>The budget above shows how much it costs to run the Work 2 Live program, including paying the wages of staff who help participants.</p> <p>We're really thankful to the council for believing in our alumni support program, which used to be called the "Work 2 Live Graduate Outreach Program."</p> <p>Since 2017, your support has been crucial. It's helped us support up to 30 alumni each year, along with the 9 people currently in the program. The impact of your legacy continues to grow, and we hope it continues in 2024 and beyond.</p> <p>Just like last year, we're asking for money to pay the wages of our Co-Executive Directors. They give individual support to graduates and manage the rest of the team. There's nothing we can buy that'll do what our program does for these young adults. To do our job well, we need to build trust, make strong relationships, and support our clients no matter what. That's why we need a team of skilled Case Workers and Support Workers to help our participants, led by a strong Co-Executive team.</p>	

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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant works towards the RMOW's Smart Tourism priority because it helps Whistler's young people feel like they belong, stay healthy, and enjoy outdoor activities. It supports youth who live and work in Whistler and the Sea to Sky area. Here's how it helps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Connecting local businesses with a skilled and diverse workforce. - Advocates for fair treatment and better job opportunities for everyone, including our participants and graduates. <p>It ensures staff who are working are passionate about Whistler which helps to amplify & personify Whistler's culture to tourists. Supporting this program ensures a healthy workforce because it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keeps graduates healthy and active so they can give back to their community. - Helps graduates connect with friends, mentors, and adults they trust. - Gives graduates chances to volunteer and mentor others in the Work 2 Live program to continue a healthy give back cycle with the broader Whistler community. - Provides support and training so they can stay in the community. - Offers outdoor activities like Ride Days to learn and have fun which connects them to Whistler Parks, Indigenous Community and local businesses - Provides access to counseling, healthcare, and other support services. <p>These elements create a positive experience for the youth working in the resort and the businesses who now have the capacity to provide an elevated guest experiences which ultimately leads to return visitation providing more opportunities for visitors to contribute to Whistler's ever evolving culture.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

One of the most important ways we are supporting an end to youth homelessness is to understand our work through the lens of decolonization.

Homelessness is not the result of the individual's choices or character; it is a direct result of the process of colonization and the resulting systems that uphold it: racism, sexism, homophobia, capitalism, white supremacy, etc. The harms perpetuated by these systems create an environment where certain people can become homeless or precariously housed.

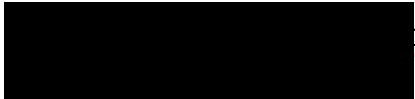
Zero Ceiling believes that the key to ending youth homelessness is to look back to pre-colonization for inspiration. We choose to disrupt these systems, guided by the principles of unconditional love, relationships and community, safety nets, connection with the land, and courage.

Decolonization, for us, is not limited to welcoming Indigenous Peoples to our programs and operations; we are using it as a guide for how to do this work in a good way. This includes decolonizing our own internal systems and processes, as well as our programs and approach.

Some key actions we take that are inspired by this lens are:

- Developing protocols to accompany policies and procedures that will guide how we do this good work in a good way.
- Creating the "Zero Ceiling Auntie" role — Auntie is an Indigenous elder from a nearby First Nation who gives maternal unconditional love, guidance, and cultural support to our program participants and staff.
- Monthly J.E.D.I. Temple (Justice, Equity, Decolonization, and Inclusion working group) meetings to further this work, attended by the majority of our core staff.
- Compulsory training on cultural safety for Indigenous Peoples, Mental Health First Aid, and suicide prevention training for all staff and board members as well as partners working directly with youth.
- Redesigning our systems and processes based on natural cycles and our connection with the land.
- Embracing non-white, non-capitalist approaches, such as Community-Centric Fundraising.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Emily Suckling, Development Manager
Phone number:	(604) 962-5000
Email:	emily@zeroceiling.org
Acknowledgement:	<div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.</div>
Signature:	<div> Digitally signed by Emily Suckling Date: 2024.02.06 17:38:23 -08'00'</div>

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	The Point Artist-Run Centre Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	Summer Concert Series and Funding Development
Society Registration Number:	S-56503
Organization Mailing Address:	5-5678 Alta Lake Road, Whistler, BC V8E 0C3
Contact Name & Title:	Stephen Vogler, Artistic Director
Organization Phone Number:	604-698-5482
Organization Email Address:	thepointinfo@gmail.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Producing arts and educational programs for all ages that enrich the community and creates working opportunity for local artists.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Arts and Culture

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	14 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	Over 2,000 participants annually; 30 Volunteers; 125 members; 695 Facebook Followers; 1000 Mailing List
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	125 members
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	8 Board Members; 30 Volunteers; 2 Part-Time Staff; 8 Occasional Staff
Age range of participants in the organization:	From 1 year to 85 years

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://www.thepointartists.com/ https://www.instagram.com/thepointarts/ https://www.facebook.com/thepointarts/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	General annual memberships \$20 Individual, \$30 Family, \$50 Organization, and \$200 Supporting member.
<p>Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)</p>	<p>PARC has an operating agreement with the RMOW to operate the facility at 5678 Alta Lake Road. PARC pays a monthly fee to utilize the buildings on a full time basis and none of these fees are outstanding. PARC receives Learning & Education and FE&A funding from the RMOW noted in question 4.</p>

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>CEP funding is requested to support the Sunday Concert Series. This program provides eight summer afternoon community concerts under the lakeside tent at The Point Artist-Run Centre. This is a family-friendly event with affordable tickets (\$15) with discounts for children and youth. Snacks and light refreshments are served from the café. This program has a capacity of 400 tickets, provides work for more than 20 Musicians, generates 16 contract shifts, and offers 32 volunteer opportunities. The total program cost is \$13,700 and PARC is requesting \$4,000 to pay some portion of Artist Fees and AV Contractors required for program operations.</p> <p>PARC is also requesting funds to contribute to grant writer fees necessary to deliver a successful grant seeking strategy. PARC depends on public funding to ensure accessible registration, rental, and ticket fees for all artists and the community. PARC has developed a multi-year plan to seek municipal, community, and provincial funding to support the delivery of engaging and affordable programs. In 2024 PARC will be submitting nine or more funding proposals and ensuring accurate and timely reporting for successful funding programs from 2023. We are requesting \$4,000 to contribute to the \$10,500 grant writer fees required to ensure the success of our funding strategy.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>These are not new activities. The Summer Concert Series has been running since 2021 and the grant-writing program has been developed over the last 13 years.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>The Annual Flag Stop Theatre & Arts Festival presents four days of live theatre, dance, comedy, and music on numerous inspired stages. This festival features original commissioned works by local and BC playwrights, and brings together local actors, musicians and other performing artists with visiting artists from across BC. This program provides community access to a wide range of free, or affordable, arts and culture activities.</p> <p>The PARC Evening Theatre and Music Program started in 2012 with the All Original Orphans' Theatre which was meant to provide a community gathering and to present local musicians.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>Confirmed public funding for April 1 2024 to March 31, 2025:</p> <p>BCAC Community Arts Organization Operating Assistance \$22,000</p> <p>BCAC Accelerate \$8,000</p> <p>RMOW FE&A \$8,500</p> <p>Unconfirmed public funding for April 1 2024 to March 31, 2025:</p> <p>BC Gaming Community Grants \$10,600</p> <p>BCAC Community Festivals \$6,000</p> <p>RMOW Community Enrichment Grant \$8,000</p> <p>RMOW Learning and Education \$15,000</p> <p>Whistler Community Foundation \$7,500</p> <p>Declined applications for our fiscal year April 1 2024 to March 31, 2025 are:</p> <p>Canadian Heritage Local Festivals – Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage \$17,000</p> <p>Fundraising fiscal year April 1 2024 to March 31, 2025:</p> <p>PARC will host a fundraiser in the spring with a goal of raising \$10,000.00.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents your provide in your application			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	\$147,500	\$4,000	Grant writer fees required to ensure the succes
General operations:	\$36,000		
One-time project / program:	\$13,700	\$4,000	Summer Concert Series Artist Fees and AV Co
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	\$5,900		
Other:			
Total	\$ 203,100	\$ 8,000	4 _____% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
2023 was an exceptional year for public funding where PARC received substantial Covid recovery and pilot project funding: BC Arts Council Resiliency; and BC Arts Council Accelerate. In 2024 we don't expect another intake of these programs so we are bound to receive fewer grants which makes continued support from the RMOW crucial to keeping our programs running and registration fees accessible.	

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>1. Housing While PARC isn’t in a position to improve secure housing, we acknowledge solutions are required to address housing challenges and offer a space where creatives that cannot secure creative space in a residence are offered affordable private and shared creation and workspace.</p> <p>2. Climate Action PARC provides a lot of low to no-waste programs. PARC reduces waste by composting, recycling, and no single-use products. For off site venues at The Flag Stop Festival, PARC selects food vendors with compostable serving materials and provides water stations for refillable personal cups. The off site beer garden serves local brewery beer in compostable cups from beer kegs to reduce waste management for a mass of empty cans. There is no single-use serving dishware or glassware at dinner and on-site bar events. We even work from a re-purposed building: the former Whistler hostel site on Alta Lake. Our event and program promotions encourage attendees to access the festival on foot, bike, stroller, and, in some cases, boat. There is limited parking at The Point Artist Run Centre where anyone arriving by car is encouraged to carpool or take a taxi.</p> <p>3. Community Engagement PARC supports this priority with every part of the work we do. We offer accessible, inclusive, and diverse programs. A significant number of our event attendees are over 55 and PARC provides an arts and cultural experience in which young and older community members</p>	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

PARC approaches truth and reconciliation in several ways: learning, acknowledgement, inclusion and equity.

PARC pays for all its Board and Staff to attend Indigenous Awareness Training and most of the current board has completed, at least, one training program. We expect to support several more staff and volunteers to attend in 2024.

PARC acknowledges the traditional and unceded territory at every event, on the website, and in promotions and communication. For many events, Knowledge Keepers are requested to conduct an Opening Ceremony.

The Artistic Director who does all the programming, ensures multiple Indigenous artists and Knowledge Keepers are part of programming every year.

PARC artists and productions include many different Indigenous cultures and disciplines. The centre has featured Lil'wat award winning musical acts Kalan Wi and Spiritual Warriors, art work by Lil'wat artist Art Pascal, theatre mentorship by Squamish-based Cree actor Lorne Cardinal, performances by East Vancouver BIPOC band Soul Rebel, Black female artist Xhalida September, and stand-up comedy by Black comedian Dino Archie, among many others. PARC will continue programming diverse cultural artists.

The Indigenous Artisan Showcase from mid June to the end of July featured artists from the Lil'wat, Musqueam and Hulqimelem Nations. Consultation with PARC Indigenous board members was an important element of the planning and delivery of this exhibit.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Stephen Vogler, Artist Director
Phone number:	604-698-5482
Email:	svogler@gmail.com
Acknowledgement:	<div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.</div>
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Yoga Buggy Assn.
Name of the program (if applicable):	Free & low cost kids yoga in Whistler
Society Registration Number:	Incorporation Number: S0071060 Business Number: 70192 1710 BC0001
Organization Mailing Address:	1-2223 Sapporo Drive, Whistler BC V8E 0B5
Contact Name & Title:	Amanda Drage, HR Manager
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	amanda@yogabuggy.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	We bring yoga to kids and families.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation/Social Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	7
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	Approximately 2800 participants
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	N/A
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	We were able to offer 20 classes in Whistler in 2023 and reach over 250 local participants, thanks to this grant and hope to do the same or more in 2024. We currently have two local (Whistler) teachers.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	20
Age range of participants in the organization:	0-99, but predominantly school aged kids

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.yogabuggy.com https://www.instagram.com/theyogabuggy/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Kids Yoga classes are open to everyone to participate. Board members are required to attend quarterly meetings.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>No cost and low cost yoga classes for kids in Whistler, making yoga accessible to all.</p> <p>We would like to continue to partner with local organizations to add yoga to kids summer camp programming as well as bring yoga to kids in local schools. We have had interest in yoga programming from Spring Creek elementary, Whistler Secondary, Mini Shredders day camps and Whistler Adaptive Kids Camp but funding is needed to make these programs possible.</p> <p>Summer Camp Yoga 8 x 60 minute classes 8 x 45 minute classes</p> <p>Elementary School Yoga 30 x 30 minute classes (one yoga class for each division at Spring Creek Community School and Myrtle Philip Community School)</p> <p>High School Yoga 6 x 60 minute classes</p> <p>Funding will be used to eliminate registration fees for students, in order to make these programs accessible to all families in Whistler. Also the money will fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~Paying our teachers to deliver high quality programming ~Operational costs (Director, Admin, HR, Marketing) ~Create and deliver relevant programming to support the Whistler community ~Update our course content & documented best practices and to do practice teaching sessions with our staff. ~Other operational costs such as teacher travel costs, promotional costs, accounting costs, loaner yoga mats, cleaning of yoga mats and other equipment and spaces used. ~Insurance and banking fees 	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>We would be continuing and expanding our 2023 programming in Whistler. This program is now in its 3rd year in Whistler but we have run many similar programs in Vancouver and the Lower Mainland for over 7 years.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>The Yoga Buggy teaches yoga as a set of mind/body tools which instill mindfulness, self-awareness, and increased self-regulation in children. Despite yoga's many benefits it is currently unavailable to many of the younger members of our communities. We seek to remedy this situation.</p> <p>The Yoga Buggy democratizes yoga by bringing high-quality, low-cost classes to a wider range of children than usually have access to it. We focus on inclusion, diversity, and increasing accessibility and opportunities for those who struggle with learning disabilities, social-emotional issues and/or financial hardship.</p> <p>Our classes, which are taught in a fun, child-friendly way, can help to build attention span, self-regulation, body positivity, confidence, strength, flexibility, balance, resilience, and social-emotional awareness. Clinical studies suggest that yoga contributes to helping children with many of the challenges that face our communities: anxiety, depression, poor fitness and behavioural struggles.</p> <p>With the return to a new "normal" after the global pandemic, our team continues to work hard and with great creativity to continue to bring yoga/mindfulness tools to the community. We are especially motivated since the problems that are increasingly presenting in our communities (decreased physical fitness, mental health stress) are supported by a regular yoga/mindfulness practice. We're proud of the thousands of hours of yoga we've shared with kid yogis and are excited to continue that for years to come.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>-Denied - Lululemon Here to Be Grant, Canada Post Community Foundation - more applicants than funds available</p> <p>- Pending - CST Foundation, Jumpstart</p> <p>- Approved - Community Gaming Grant \$25,000.00</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	103,838.14	4400	teachers wages
General operations:	27,938.79	1900	administrative costs: including booking& setting up classes, insurance, advertising, website, social media marketing, grant writing, fundraising, budgeting, bookkeeping
One-time project / program:	n/a	n/a	
Physical assets:	5000	n/a	
Rent (RMOW facilities):	n/a	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	708.99	n/a	
Other:	1,947.50	n/a	
Total	139,433.42 \$	\$6300	4.5 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>2. Climate Action The Yoga Buggy has hired local teachers in all our locations to minimize the carbon footprint of travel to and from classes. We encourage teachers to take non-carbon emitting modes of transportation when possible.</p> <p>3. Community Engagement Yoga Buggy classes are an opportunity for members of the community to come together for movement and fun and a calm, positive, non competitive social interaction. Yoga and mindfulness have been shown to have positive effects on children, mentally, socially, physically and behaviourally. We partner with existing organizations to bring yoga to kids within communities. Providing free and low cost Yoga Programming will help keep a larger variety of extra curricular activities accessible for local Whistler families living year round in the resort.</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>The Yoga Buggy acknowledges that the classes we teach take place on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the and Lilwat7úl (Lil'wat), swxwú7mesh (Squamish), xm kym (Musqueam), and slilwta (Tseil-Waututh) Nations.</p> <p>By increasing access to yoga for all kids, we work to remove some of the barriers created by our colonial past and present.</p> <p>We are able to incorporate Indigenous art, music and story telling into some of our classes. As well as teach important values, such as caring for this land and each other, in a kid friendly way.</p> <p>We relate the teaching of yoga concepts from ancient India to Indigenous ways of knowing and other cultures with similar values and ways of life. Learning through narratives, mythology and metaphors; relating to plant and animal kingdoms, the universal elements of spirit, water, fire, air and earth; and connecting to our ancestors and descendants, kids learn about compassion, community and environment, awareness and caring of the self and others. We bring in Indigenous resources (children's books, art, supplies, music) and purchase these from Indigenous-led businesses in the community. Through acts of education and action, we strive to do our part to work towards reconciliation.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Amanda Drage
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Email:	amanda@yogabuggy.com
Acknowledgement:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Community Services Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	Counselling Assistance
Society Registration Number:	S0025152
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 900 Whistler BC V0N 1
Contact Name & Title:	Dave Clark, Director Fundraising
Organization Phone Number:	604 932 0113
Organization Email Address:	info@mywcss.org
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	We support and advocate for a healthy community through programs that support food insecurity, mental health and wellness and financial insecurity.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Community Service

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	35
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	25,000
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	Members of the society are board members only, no public memberships.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	100
Age range of participants in the organization:	1-99 years of age

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.mywcsc.org, facebook.com/whistlercommunityservicessociety, instagram: @whistler_community_services
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Membership is strictly held with board members who are elected to the board of directors. Other programs do not have requirements to take part in with the exception of some financial assistance programs.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	Yes. Approx \$825,000 loan on the building costs of the location at 8000 Nesters Road

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>The Counselling Assistance program support community members with low financial barrier access to help from a clinical counselor. Many community members who seek support from outreach workers at WCSS could also benefit from additional help from a trained professional clinical counselor, although not all community members have the financial means or extended benefit programs that would cover the cost.</p> <p>When it is identified that the services of a professional service provider would be beneficial, our outreach workers work with community members to find the best fit of a counselor. If financial restriction is a barrier to accessing the service on their own, this is when the Counselling Assistance program kicks in. Community members are matched with a suitable counselor, and are subsidized for up to 6 sessions in a calendar year. The cost to the community member is approx \$35 per session, while WCSS and the counseling assistance program pays the remaining \$100 per session. WCSS outreach workers continue to support and work alongside the community member to ensure complete wrap around support while they are working with a clinical counsellor.</p> <p>In 2023 more than 100 people in community were supported through this program, at a cost of over \$50,000</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Counselling assistance is one of over 30 programs administered by WCSS in the community. Outreach services offers programs such as concussion support, one on one wellness support meetings, cold weather shelter operations, new parent support group, mental health ambassador training, etc. Our food security team supports the community with Food Bank and in school snack programs. In total over 25,000 client visits were supported in our space. We also operate social enterprises including the Re-use-It and Re-Build-It centres which divert waste from the landfill, offer low cost foods to community members, and generate revenue to support the operations of the organization.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>For counseling assistance specifically, we have the following plans to fund the program:</p> <p>Application (no yet approved, applications still open) submitted to Community Foundation of Whistler for the Caring Community Grant. \$10,000</p> <p>Annual TOGETHER Outreach campaign will take place in October 2024. The goal will be to raise a total of \$100,000 in that campaign for ALL 30+ outreach programs we offer.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents your provide in your application			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:			
General operations:	60,000	30,000	Clinical Counselor fees that WCSS subsidizes.
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	\$ 60,000	\$ 30,000	50% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
Our organizational budget for the FY2024-25 (April 1, 2024 - Mar 31, 2025) is still in development stage fro many of our programs etc, so is not able to be shared in this application. However our finance manager has indicated that the \$60,000 amount noted in our budget for subsidizing counseling fees for this program will be what ends up (at minimum) on the final complete budget.	

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p><i>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Housing</i> 2. <i>Climate Action</i> 3. <i>Community Engagement</i> 4. <i>Smart Tourism</i> <p><i>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</i></p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant application supports increasing community engagement as it supports the overall health and connectedness of the community. It connects those most vulnerable in Whistler to the services that can help them maximize their opportunity to achieve desired health outcomes. Our collective health is an important aspect of community living and is critical to the long term sustainability of the resort.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Lil'wat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>WCSS has worked closely with the indigenous peoples of the land for many years. Our outreach and food security programs connect members of the Lil'wat Nation and Squamish Nation to supports for healthier living. For years we have worked with the Pemberton Food Bank, and Lil'wat Nation to share food through suppliers and ensure that everyone in the corridor has access to healthy food. In 2023, WCSS in partnership with the SLCC were successful in delivering six Indigenous Cultural Awareness Workshops to help advance the community's connection to truth and reconciliation.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Dave Clark
Phone number:	
Email:	dave@mywcscs.org
Acknowledgement:	<div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.</div>
Signature:	<div>Dave Clark</div> <div> Digitally signed by Dave Clark Date: 2024.02.02 10:59:43 -08'00'</div>

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	The Whistler Writing Society
Name of the program (if applicable):	2024 Whistler Writer in Residence
Society Registration Number:	S-49419
Organization Mailing Address:	11-1530 Tynebridge Lane, Whistler, BC V8E 0L3
Contact Name & Title:	Rebecca Wood Barrett, Artistic & Executive Director
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	rebecca@whistlerwritersfest.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	The Society promotes literary arts by providing a forum for Sea to Sky writers to develop their craft locally.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Arts and Culture

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	23
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	101 members, 1750 participants
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	n/a
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	70 members, (many more participants in our programming)
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	1 full time staff, 6 part time contractors, 40+ festival volunteers, 9 part time volunteers
Age range of participants in the organization:	Children to Seniors

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlerwritersfest.com; IG: @whistlerwritersfest; FB: facebook.com/whistlerwriters; twitter.com/whistlerwriters;
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Anyone can apply to join. Members participate in Society's activities, events, readings, workshops, AGM, and can vote annually on Board membership.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>The grant will be used to fund part of the honorarium for our 2024 Whistler Writer in Residence guest author. The author/mentor honorarium is \$6,000 to participate in the two month long program, which is comparable with other WIR programs. We kindly request the Community Enrichment Program (CEP) cover 50% (\$3,000) of the 2024 Writer in Residence honorarium. The Whistler Writing Society will take care of all other costs associated with the program, including the author's travel, administration, accommodation and promotion of the program.</p> <p>The CEP grant is important to our local writers because it makes the program affordable to residents in the Sea to Sky Corridor. In addition, they do not have to travel to an urban centre to develop their craft and market-orient their work. In 2023, award-winning Writer in Residence Cody Caetano (Half Bads in White Regalia) mentored participants of the program in-person in Whistler at the Alta Lake Cabin at The Point Artist-run Centre. We intend to run the 2024 program in a similar manner as 2023.</p> <p>The 2024 Writer in Residence author mentor is yet to be confirmed. Our list of candidates includes the following award-winning Canadian authors: Lisa Moore (This is How We Love), Iona Whishaw (To Track A Traitor), Leanne Dunic (Wet), Susan Juby (Meditation on Murder) and Jennifer Manuel (The Heaviness of Things That Float). This list of award-winning authors have attended our festival before and are highly respected writing teachers and coaches. We strive to include and highlight BIPOC and LGBTQ2SI+ author/ mentors and participants to bring diverse experiences and perspectives to all our programming. Our writer in residence candidate list will expand as we understand the availability of these author/mentor candidates.</p> <p>We plan to include a scholarship position for one of the 10 writer/participants, which will go to a BIPOC writer.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No, the Whistler Writer in Residence program has been running annually since 2007.	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>The two-month Writer in Residence features a Canadian award-winning author (TBC). This year's program will run from September through October. The author mentor will work with up to 10 fiction, creative non-fiction, young adult/children's, poetry writers and/or playwrights beginning in early September 2024.</p> <p>The Whistler Writer in Residence provides three one-on-one writing critique feedback sessions and three group seminars on different aspects of writing craft, writing life and publishing industry. This type of intensive, craft-focused instruction is not available in Whistler except through this program.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RMOW CEP, \$3,000 - pending - B.C. Arts Council, \$2,500 - pending (We received this grant in 2022 & 2023) - The Whistler Writing Society, Program Admin Fees, \$4,050 - pending - The Whistler Writing Society, reserves, \$460 - approved - The Whistler Writing Society, Fundraising, \$2500 - approved (to be used if BC Arts Council funds do not come though) 	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	6000	3000	Author fee for two months
General operations:	1500	0	program coordination, marketing & advertising, admin
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	1260	N/A	Alta Lake Cabin at The Point Artist-run Centre
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:	1250		(author travel, supplies, postage)
Total	\$ 10,010	\$ 3000	29 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>We request participants complete feedback forms, and continue to incorporate this information into our programming thereby making it sustainable, flexible and relevant. The CEP grant enables the quality programming to be maintained, while keeping costs affordable and the program accessible to local participants. Our list of potential writer in residence author mentors is provided in Section 1 of this application. Comments from the 2023 Whistler Writer in Residence program with author mentor, Cody Caetano:</p> <p>"Participating in this program gave me the confidence to move forward with my writing and querying to publishers and agents. Cody was so enthusiastic about the project, supportive and helpful every step of the way. I will be recommending this program to any writer in the Sea to Sky that wants to take that (scary) next step in their writing journey." - 2023 IBPOC Scholarship recipient</p> <p>----</p> <p>"In the one-to-one, Cody helped me find the voice of one of my protagonists--makes all the difference. Cody also enlightened me about where I'm going wrong in querying. In the workshops I learned to eschew the verb 'to be' (so static) and invent fun new custom verbs. That's how it helped my writing. As to how it helped me, it brought the joy of collaboration, and it led to the formation (I think) of a little writers community." - 2023 WIR Participant</p> <p>One additional piece of feedback received was to include a Welcome & Information Package for future Whistler Writers-in-Residence. This information package is under development.</p>	

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>Our program addresses the four CPI priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Writer in Residence (WIR) program utilizes artist-designated housing and does not reduce housing for local residents, yet provides enriching, career development for local writers in our own community. 2. The program is open and not prescriptive in the support of artistic content. However, many writers in our Corridor (and visiting guest mentors) are writing about the impacts of climate change in their fiction and non-fiction. The WIR program means that local writers don't have to travel to an urban centre to study the writing craft, thereby reducing CO2 emissions. 3. The WIR participants meet other local writers, forming valuable artist networks in our own community. The WIR is a stepping stone to publication, and ultimately, participating in the Whistler Writers Festival as guest authors, which involving local audiences in the celebration of locally-created culture. 4. The WIR is a program that shows Whistler can be used as a retreat and place of further development and education for our own literary artists. The program enriches the writing skills of locals -- a benefit to Whistler businesses and Whistler culture -- who will ultimately draw visitors to Whistler through their own artistic works and practice. The high-profile WIR guest author spends two months in Whistler with the opportunity to immerse themselves in Whistler's arts culture; they contribute to local culture through their mentorship of local writers and they participate/present at the Whistler Writers Festival. They are also a draw for festival visitors to Whistler, who appreciate arts, culture and the natural environment. 	

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9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

Reconciliation is one of our values, and we are actively walking this pathway. Our Society's programming has potential to advance reconciliation and decolonization through including/ inviting Indigenous workshop leaders and storytellers as well as Indigenous participants.

2023 Writer in Residence, Cody Caetano, is Indigenous, an off-reserve member of the Pinaymootang First Nation.

We have offered opportunities to study the art and craft of oral storytelling from local Lil'wat and Squamish artists, bringing the art of Indigenous and cultural oral traditions to our audiences, opening the door to fruitful discussions on reconciliation and decolonization, both formally at events and between audience and workshop members helping them build their own personal back pocket reconciliation plans (Chief Joseph, 2023).

For example, in 2022 our audiences learned a few different ways that oral stories in the Lil'wat Nation may be different from non-Indigenous cultures: story touch points often come in sets of four (instead of three); sometimes there is no defined ending to a story and a character 'goes on to have a good life'; character traits are neither seen as 'good' or 'bad,' but a character trait might be used for good or bad. Learning about other cultures ways through storytelling is a meaningful step on the path of reconciliation, and embracing the storytelling arts is a step towards decolonizing the traditional publishing industry.

We partner with Squamish Lil wat Cultural Centre to understand cultural protocols, necessary and appropriate culturally-sensitive research, and network with Indigenous artists and organizations in our region. Through this relationship we have connected with both Lil wat and Squamish Nation artists, included many in our events and programming, including sharing knowledge on artists craft. It is through these relationships that we identify relevant ways forward to ensure meaningful, sensitive representation of materials and cultures.

We work directly with the artists involved in the workshops and oral storytelling events to ask how they would like to see them unfold, and how they would like to be represented.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Rebecca Wood Barrett
Phone number:	
Email:	rebecca@whistlerwritersfest.com
Acknowledgement:	<div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year;</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.</div>
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Valley Quilters' Guild
Name of the program (if applicable):	Cheryl Arkinson 2 Day Workshop and Trunkshow
Society Registration Number:	S-57306
Organization Mailing Address:	6863 Barnfield Place; Whistler, BC; V8E 0W2
Contact Name & Title:	Mary Forseth, President
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	maryinwhistler@gmail.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Promote, teach and share our skills of quilting and sewing to the Sea 2 Sky community
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Arts and Culture

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	30 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	40 (paid and honorary)
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	n/a
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	32
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	Everyone volunteers and contributes to our organization. There are 6 executive members include the president.
Age range of participants in the organization:	30-80+

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlerquilters.com Whistler Valley Quilters Guild--FB @whistlerquilters--IG
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Yearly membership is \$40 and open to anyone interested in quilting, fibre arts and other sewing skills. Members are asked to volunteer during the
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

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<p>WVQG annually organizes a two day workshop available to our members. This year we have booked Cheryl Arkinson, a teacher, author and quilter with 24 years of experience...and she is from Calgary.</p> <p>The techniques taught in our workshops improve the quality of our quilts and add to the joy of making quilts for our community. We are able to transfer the skills learned to our making of ice bag covers for WHCC, reusable tote bags for the Food Bank and to our Community Quilt Program. The workshops also provide an opportunity to connect as a group.</p> <p>Our request of \$2000 will be used to pay for the instructor and supplies needed.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>This will be a new workshop and instructor for members of Whistler Valley Quilters' Guild. Our members are keen to update and learn new skills. This workshop will bring our members together and encourage goals of giving back to our community.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>In 2023, we donated 17 community quilts to individuals in need and to various organizations for fundraising (Audain Art Museum, Howe Sound Women's Centre, Zero Ceiling, etc). The guild also made 400+ ice bag covers for WHCC and 40+ reusable fabric tote bags for the Food Bank program.</p>	

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<p>Funding for this workshop comes from fees from our members attending the workshop as well as the generosity of the CEP grants. No other grant money has been applied for.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:			
General operations:	1615		
One-time project / program:	2725	2000	2 day workshop instructor fee and supplies
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:	16100		
Total	\$ 20 440	\$ 2000	10 _____% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>30 years ago WVQG was founded (and several of the original members are still with our guild). We have been contributing to the community during all this time. We meet twice a month from September to May and each meeting provides instructions, sharing of ideas and general team spirit. Covid introduced us to the advantages of Zoom and our group adapted well to this new meeting style. We continue to meet via Zoom and in-person. The workshop with Cheryl Arkinson will introduce new skills to our members and inspire creativity.</p> <p>We sincerely appreciate your past support and hope this support can be continued for the upcoming year.</p>	

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>WVQG is able to enrich community life through the provision of tangible comfort provided by an original, handmade quilt given to those in need or donated for fundraising purposes. A quilt wraps an individual in warmth and love from their community.</p> <p>The ice bag covers are a tangible token for individuals who have had misfortunes in our community, winter or summer, and are distributed through WHCC.</p> <p>Our newest contribution to our community is the making and donating of reusable fabric tote bags to be used by the Food Bank...no more plastic bags.</p> <p>There is a strong sense of community in our guild. We assist and encourage each other in creative efforts. This wonderful group, with shared interest, contribute their time and skills to the community and look out for each other.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

<p><i>The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.</i></p>
<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>We have not. We have donated quilts to the Quilts for Survivors program.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Mary Forseth
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Slo-Pitch Association
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S0056834
Organization Mailing Address:	2729 Cheakamus Way, Whistler BC V8E0A8
Contact Name & Title:	Sarah Smith - League Convenor
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	info@whistlerslopitch.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To create a functional, successful community based league for adults want to play softball in Whistler
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	Officially became a not for profit in 2009 but the league has been around much much longer, late 1980s.
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	We range from 600-800 players, every year is different.
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	We usually only get a small handful of U18s each season.
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	All participants are local to Whistler, Squamish or Pemberton. Majority are based in Whistler.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	7 volunteer board members, 1 paid PT league convenor, 1 Paid PT bookkeeper, 1 paid PT Umpire in Chief, 8-18 paid PT umpires
Age range of participants in the organization:	16-70

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.whistlerslopitch.com facebook @whistlerslopitchassc instagram @whistlerslopitch
What are the membership and participation requirements?	We ask all players to play responsibly, safely and respect all those at the ball fields. League fees are about 1600 for each team, players usually pitch in to pay as well as look for a local sponsor.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>Ensuring player safety is a top priority for the league. We aim to provide each team with new batting helmets and supply four helmets to new teams. The estimated cost for these helmets is \$30-40 each, totaling approximately \$2205.</p> <p>In light of the ongoing increase in living costs, we are determined to avoid raising team fees to maintain accessibility for more individuals. The funding we seek will be allocated to offset equipment and operational expenses, allowing us to sustain our team fees at the same level as the previous year.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>In 2019 the league distributed four helmets to each team. Currently, we aim to supply each team with a new helmet, acknowledging the need for replacement due to potential loss or damage, with the updated plan of providing one helmet per team.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Our organization contributes to the community by offering affordable recreational activities, providing a fantastic opportunity for individuals to engage in outdoor exercise and connect with new people.</p> <p>In 2023, our initiatives resulted in the participation of 48 teams, including the incorporation of five new teams. This expansion not only signifies the growth of our organization but also underscores our commitment to fostering a vibrant and inclusive community through recreational sports.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>Our operational budget comes from league fees paid by players on teams and sponsorships for teams.</p> <p>2020: \$4000 CEPT grant for pitching machine (grant funds used for pitching machine purchase in 2020)</p> <p>2021: \$5000 for batting cage (grant funds have not been spent yet, will finish project this year)</p> <p>2022: \$2500 for batting cage (grant funds have not been spent yet, will finish project this year)</p> <p>2023: \$3000 for batting cage and player safety equipment (funds have been spent, project completed)</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents you provide in your application			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:			
General operations:	58757	4800	Team fees
One-time project / program:		2200	Helmets(player safety)
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	12943	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	\$ 71700	\$ 7000	9.8 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budgetamount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>In considering our grant request, we would like to emphasize the significant impact of the rising cost of living on our local community. We are concerned about the potential loss of players or teams due to financial constraints, as affordability should not be a barrier to participation. While we are optimistic about securing sponsorships to alleviate team costs, we acknowledge the economic challenges faced by businesses following a challenging winter.</p> <p>Player safety is a paramount concern for our organization, and we prioritize ensuring that teams have access to quality safety equipment. By providing each team with helmets, not only can we contribute to reducing their overall costs, but we also enhance player safety, aligning with our commitment to maintaining a secure and enjoyable sports environment.</p>	

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
<div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required) </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required) </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> • Other: </div>	

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

8. Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:	<p><i>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Housing</i> 2. <i>Climate Action</i> 3. <i>Community Engagement</i> 4. <i>Smart Tourism</i> <p><i>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</i></p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant adresses the priority of "Enriching Community Life" by expanding recreational opportunities, fostering skill development, introducing a new sport to community members, and promoting a sense of belonging. Additionally, it provides a enjoyable social and physical activity for adults within our community.</p>	

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Our organization highly values the principles of truth and reconciliation with Indigenous Nations. We are honored to play on one of the most beautiful ballparks in our province, recognizing the significance of the land. Our league, inclusive of many Indigenous players, considers them a vital and integral part of our league culture. As a gesture of commitment, we provided a fee reduction to one team that was sponsored by the SLCC, and we are actively engaging in discussions to extend fee reductions to other predominantly Indigenous teams. This reflects our dedication to fostering inclusivity, respecting Indigenous contributions, and building a strong sense of community within our league.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Sarah Smith
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Signature:	<div>[REDACTED]</div> <div>Digitally signed by Sarah Smith Date: 2024.02.15 13:15:34 -08'00'</div>

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Field Hockey Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S0075214
Organization Mailing Address:	27-3102 Panorama Ridge, Whistler, BC V8E-0V3
Contact Name & Title:	Eilidh Pearson, Fundraising & Events Director
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	fundraising@whistlerfieldhockey.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	To develop the international sport of field hockey in Whistler through coaching and enjoyment for both adults and children.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation & Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	2.5
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	55 participants over the past year
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	No current youth programs running
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	55 over the past year
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	10-15 including coaches
Age range of participants in the organization:	7 - 65 years

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Website: https://www.whistlerfieldhockey.com/ Facebook: @whistlerfieldhockey Instagram: @whistler.field.hockey.club
What are the membership and participation requirements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All participants must adhere to the rules and regulations of the sport for health and safety whether as players, coaches, or administrators. - All participants are required to be a member and pay a membership fee to allow WFHC operate with appropriate levels of coverage for everyone. - All participants are required to have a base level of fitness.
<p>Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)</p>	No

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>1 - Paying Coaches We are hoping to increase our membership by maximizing exposure to field hockey amongst the local community. For the youth program, in addition to running our spring and fall youth sessions, we hope to send coaches to run sessions at local elementary schools, Kids on the Go, Whistler Youth Soccer Club, and Whistler Sport Legacies' summer camps. For the adult program, in addition to our winter indoor and summer outdoor sessions, we'd like to host "Try it for Free" events run by a coach and umpire. Ideally, we would like to hire a consistent part-time head coach to co-ordinate coaching for both programs.</p> <p>2 - Operational & Event Costs Funding would be used towards paying for insurance and fees for banking, website, and administration. We would also use this funding towards the entrance fees for various tournaments we plan to send teams to this year.</p> <p>3 - Purchasing Equipment In order to improve our indoor sessions, we require fold-able sideboards to be used along the sides of the gym. A member has offered to make these if we provide the materials. We require a new goalkeeper's helmet as the goalkeeper's kit owned by the club was purchased second-hand and the helmet no longer meets safety requirements. We also need some new indoor balls and coaching equipment.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No, we are now in our third year.	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Whistler Field Hockey Club benefits the community by providing access to a team sport for both children and adults, which can be played both outdoors in the warmer months and indoors in the winter. Field hockey offers a fun way to improve the physical, mental, and social health of our members and participants. We ran after-school kids sessions last spring and sent coaches to run sessions at local elementary schools and Kids on the Go. Our popular adults sessions ran outdoors last summer and indoors this winter.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>1 - Nothing pending but we plan to apply to the Whistler Blackcomb Foundation and the Real Estate Association of Whistler later in the year.</p> <p>2 - N/A</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	\$5,000	\$3,500	Coaching staff wages
General operations:	\$4,595	\$4,000	Advertising; insurance; banking, website and administrative fees; coaching courses; tournament fees.
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:	\$6,300	\$1,700	Sideboards; goalie helmet; coaching equipment; shelving for storage shed
Rent (RMOW facilities):	\$3,540	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	\$ 19,435	\$ 9,200	47% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>Our goal is to develop a sustainable field hockey club for the Whistler community, and to make the sport as accessible as possible to as many people as possible. We'd like to increase our membership by maximizing exposure to field hockey amongst the local community. We have found that field hockey is a brand-new sport to most of our youth participants, as well as some of our adult members, and we feel that the best way to grow the club is by introducing it to as many participants as possible.</p>	

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>This grant addresses the priority of Community Engagement. Specifically, this is because Whistler Field Hockey Club:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provides a sense of belonging by creating a team and club community. - Increases recreation opportunities by providing a new sport for the community, which can be played both outdoors in the summer and indoors in the winter. - Improves satisfaction with the experience of living in Whistler by offering a team sport within an inclusive club atmosphere. - Increases volunteer rates by providing opportunities to umpire, coach, coordinate and manage the club. 	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Whistler Field Hockey Club respectfully acknowledges that we operate on the unceded territory of the L'il'wat7úl and the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw. We recognize the rich contributions of history and knowledge that the L'il'wat7úl and the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw have made to this area. WFHC understands the importance of creating a culturally safe environment in which Indigenous peoples may be included without barriers and with access to traditional knowledge and practices.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

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Email:	fundraising@whistlerfieldhockey.com
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Wolves Rugby League Football Club
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S0072436
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 2148, Squamish, BC, V8B 0B5
Contact Name & Title:	Cassidy Schaerf, Treasurer
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	treasurer@whistlerwolves.com
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	The purpose of the Whistler Wolves is to promote awareness and knowledge of the sport provincially and nationally, promote exercise and a healthy lifestyle in the community, and encourage community involvement.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	4 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	38
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	0
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	35
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	9
Age range of participants in the organization:	18+

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Facebook - Whistler Wolves RL Instagram - Whistlerwolvesrl
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Player Fee \$120
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	No

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>The Whistler Wolves Rugby League Team seeks funding from the Community Enrichment Program (CEP) to allocate resources for essential transportation needs during away games. A significant portion of the grant will be dedicated to securing buses for the team, a crucial investment that not only facilitates team mobility but also subsidizes costs for players. By alleviating financial burdens associated with transportation, the Whistler Wolves aim to eliminate barriers to entry for potential community members interested in participating in rugby league. This inclusive approach aligns with the CEP's goal of supporting organizations contributing to the general welfare of the Whistler community, fostering diversity, and expanding access to sports within the municipality.</p> <p>Moreover, the funds will be instrumental in enhancing player safety and promoting environmental sustainability. With the allocated resources, the team plans to implement rigorous safety measures during away game travel, including ensuring each bus is equipped with first aid kits and developing comprehensive emergency response plans. Additionally, by having buses for away games which would encourage carpooling among players, the Whistler Wolves intend to reduce their carbon footprint, contributing to the broader environmental objectives of the RMOW. This dual focus on player well-being and ecological responsibility demonstrates the team's commitment to creating a positive impact both within the rugby league community and the Whistler environment at large.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>This is not a new activity as the Whistler Wolves Rugby League team has been active in Whistler since 2019.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>The Whistler Wolves Rugby League Team has made remarkable contributions to the Whistler community throughout the year. A standout achievement is the establishment of a pioneering Concussion Protocol, showcasing the team's commitment to player safety and becoming the trailblazer in British Columbia in this crucial aspect of the game. Additionally, the Wolves brought the community together by successfully hosting and winning the RLBC 9s tournament in Whistler, achieving the largest attendance in the tournament's history. This event not only demonstrated the team's athletic prowess but also highlighted the collaborative spirit with local businesses and community members. Furthermore, the Wolves proudly represented Whistler on a national stage by playing against a former professional team during a tour in Toronto, showcasing the town's sporting talent and enhancing its reputation in the broader rugby league community. These accomplishments underscore the Whistler Wolves' integral role in fostering community well-being, safety, and unity through sports.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> 2. <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>At this time, we do not have any other specific grants or funding approved or pending, although we do receive support from many local businesses in the form of sponsorships and donations.</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	0		
General operations:	6015		
One-time project / program:	11189.68	5000	To be applied to booking busses for away games
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):	840.54	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	\$ 18045.22	\$ 5000	27 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.
<p>The Whistler Wolves are a local rugby league team playing in the RLBC. Community is a value that is woven into the fabric of our sport and we aim to create a space for all players to participate and learn while we grow our sport in Canada. We have had 3 of our own players represent Canada on the world stage, 2 of which were only exposed to this sport through our organization. We are excited to express our intention to utilize the funds from the CEP grant to acquire buses for away games. Ensuring the safety of our players is of paramount importance, and having dedicated transportation will significantly contribute to that goal. This initiative not only prioritizes the well-being of our athletes but also eliminates potential barriers to participation, making sports accessible to all members of our community regardless of financial constraints or access to personal transportation. Additionally, by consolidating transportation through buses, we aim to reduce the environmental impact associated with individual car travel, aligning with our commitment to sustainability. The implementation of this project not only supports the Wolves in their athletic endeavors but also underscores our dedication to fostering inclusivity and environmental responsibility within the Whistler community.</p>	

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<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Community Engagement” because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>The Whistler Wolves, in pursuit of a Community Enrichment Grant, effectively embody the principles of climate action, community engagement, and smart tourism. Through their commitment to climate action, the Wolves aim to mitigate environmental impact by consolidating transportation through buses, reducing reliance on individual cars. In terms of community engagement, the team strives to foster inclusivity, welcoming all players and making attendance at away games accessible to fans through organized transportation. Moreover, the Wolves aim to build a vibrant local community that actively supports home games and tournaments. In embracing smart tourism, the team recognizes the value of hosting events that attract out-of-towners, providing them with opportunities to enjoy outdoor activities in Whistler while supporting local businesses. The Wolves' multifaceted approach aligns seamlessly with the grant's objectives, reflecting a comprehensive commitment to sustainability, community unity, and responsible tourism.</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>The Whistler Wolves actively prioritize truth and reconciliation with Indigenous Nations by formally acknowledging and expressing gratitude to the traditional territories on which we play before any official meeting or event. This practice serves as a sincere recognition of the historical and ongoing connection of Indigenous Peoples to the land. Moreover, the Wolves are committed to fostering an inclusive and non-discriminatory environment, ensuring that all interactions and engagements respect and honor the diverse cultures and perspectives of Indigenous communities. This dedication to acknowledging the rich heritage of the land and promoting inclusivity underscores our organization's commitment to truth and reconciliation with Indigenous Nations.</p>

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Mountain Ski club
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	S-8101
Organization Mailing Address:	2028 Rob Boyd Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0B6
Contact Name & Title:	John (Sandy) Nattress
Organization Phone Number:	604-932-4644
Organization Email Address:	sandy@wmisc.info
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Alpine Ski Racing & training
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	56
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	490
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	32
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	92
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	150 Volunteers 13 full staff 22 part time staff
Age range of participants in the organization:	10-20

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	www.wmsc.info www.facebook.com/whistlermountainskiclub https://www.instagram.com/thewmsc/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	A minimum threshold of skiing skills
<p>Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)</p>	No debts

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<p><i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i></p> <p>The Whistler Mountain Ski Club is a non-profit organization that enables over 180 athletes ages 10 to 20, the majority from the Sea to Sky corridor, to develop and achieve their goals in Ski Racing. Our mission is to "Develop Champions in Life and Sport" and we aspire to provide a program to improve skiing skills, physical literacy, emotional intelligence, nutritional education, and overall health of our kids and athletes.</p> <p>The purpose of this grant is to continue our in-house coach development and to offer NCCP courses and cross training with Canadian Ski Instructors courses (CSIA) and add more mental health training.</p> <p>We currently have 9-full time coaches and 22 part time coaches through the 2023-24 season. Due to the nature of ski coaching and with the weather challenges of this season, there is little time for formal "in-house" development without compromising the delivery of the program. For this reason, we ran onboarding and training paid weekends prior to the start of the Winter season and will add one paid week after April 2024.</p> <p>In our pursuit to recruit and retain top-tier coaches, we are committed to fostering a culture that prioritizes their continuous professional development, personal growth and overall well-being. We believe that investing in these aspects they will have the motivation to excel in their roles.</p> <p>We are delighted with the success of our recruitment efforts at WMSC. We proudly welcomed seven new coaches to our team, from both within the country and internationally that call Whistler home.</p>
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2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
No, it is a continuation and improvement of our original plan in 2017 that has been succesful.	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>WMSC offers alpine ski racing for over 180 skiers. The majority from Whistler and the Sea to Sky corridor. We opened a new supplementary program for our community younger athletes aged 8 and 9 years old that was so successful that we extended it for 8 weeks. our FIS team is the largest in the West with 32 athletes and the ones that retired entered into University Studies. 2 of our female athletes moved up to the BC Ski Team. Furthermore, this year we will host our 32nd Whistler Cup event, the only international children's ski race in North America an we expect over 400 racers from Canada and the World.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>BC Gaming Grant \$31,900 Ski Swap \$7,500 WMOW FE&A village activation grant for the Whistler Cup Pending</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	932,795		
General operations:	650,468		
One-time project / program:	44,550	10,000	1x Facilitator of the NCCP symposium and for the fees for the Para Coaching Module
Physical assets:	738,819		
Rent (RMOW facilities):	0	N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	0		
Other:	0		
Total	2,366,632 \$	10,000 \$.004 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:

Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

WMSC remains committed to becoming a premier destination for top coaches in Canada. This grant will play a crucial role in advancing our effort in coach education, retention and recruitment. This will ensure our progress in the development of our coaching team.

We are glad to share that this year 2 WMSC alumni join the Canadian Development Team [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Adding to 11 WMSC Alumni already representing the Whistler community in sport and in the world cups this season.

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
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COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

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<p>In alignment with the community engagement and smart tourism priorities of the grant, WMSC is dedicated to enhancing the learning experiences for coaches through both formal certification programs and informal on-the-job learning. The knowledge gained by our coaches is seamlessly transferred to the children and athletes in our programs. This not only fosters their personal growth by promoting awareness of physical health and injury prevention but also harnesses the benefits of nutrition and mental preparation.</p> <p>Moreover, our programs go beyond individual development, emphasizing social growth through collaborative teamwork. This holistic approach provides everyone involved with the opportunity to cultivate healthy competence, connection, and character. WMSC's initiatives extend beyond the slopes, creating a sense of belonging by nurturing team culture, fostering connections with the community, and inspiring a desire to establish long-term residency in the valley.</p> <p>Central to our programs is community involvement, requiring a minimum of 100 volunteers to host races. These dedicated individuals have shared how their volunteer roles have transcended into lifelong friendships, further strengthening the community fabric.</p> <p>As WMSC gains recognition as a global destination for ski racers, we consistently attract participants from across Canada and around the world who come to train and compete. We take pride in the substantial economic contribution the club makes to our community each year, aligning with the goals of smart tourism and positively impacting the local economy</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>We engage with our indigenous community, to encourage their involvement in Whistler Cup ceremonies, which we hope highlights the unique culture of indigenous communities here in the Sea to Sky. Sharing this culture with international youth athletes during their visit to Whistler we hope will foster understanding and appreciation for the cultural diversity of our region.</p>

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Independent Supported Housing Society (W.I.S.H.)
Name of the program (if applicable):	
Society Registration Number:	78756 0739 RR0001
Organization Mailing Address:	6418 Easy Street, Whistler, BC, V8E 0C5
Contact Name & Title:	Sue Hargrave, Board Chair
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	info@wishsociety.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence.)	Advocating for individuals with developmental disabilities to secure independent, supportive housing.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Service, Community Service, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Social Services

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	4.5 years
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)	11
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	11
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	6
Age range of participants in the organization:	20-40

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://wishsociety.ca/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	Annual financial contribution, volunteer time.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. <u>Note</u> : Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)	no

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<p>The aim of this grant for WISH is to enhance our visibility within the community. We have received positive feedback from stakeholders and community members regarding our organization, recognizing a significant demand for our vision.</p> <p>We plan to utilize social media, community presentations, and printed materials to elevate our exposure.</p> <p>Our focus for the year is establishing connections with different government supports. We aim to engage with federal, provincial, and local government representatives, anticipating that this will not only guide us to new resources but also enable us to maximize our visibility.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>Building upon the foundation laid by our previous CEP Grant, our objectives have expanded, necessitating a greater investment of time and expertise.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>We are thrilled to embark on a journey through a year filled with numerous and gratifying accomplishments. Let's dive into the highlights:</p> <p>First and foremost, the success of seamlessly integrating Google Drive into our operations has fostered collaboration and ensured everyone is on the same page.</p> <p>Thanks to the unwavering efforts of our Fundraising Team, we have not only conceived but successfully executed two distinct fundraisers, contributing significantly to our financial goals.</p> <p>Our dedication to communication and engagement with the community has resulted in the ongoing sharing of our WISH, strengthening our bonds and impact.</p> <p>An outstanding Development Plan has been meticulously crafted and is on the brink of completion. This strategic document will serve as a guide for fruitful discussions with stakeholders and interested parties, furthering our organizational objectives.</p> <p>The acquisition of the Community Enrichment Grant from the RMOW underscores our commitment to increasing exposure. The strategic utilization of these funds will undoubtedly enhance our community presence and initiatives. A remarkable milestone achieved this financial year is attaining Charity status for our non-profit society. This accomplishment not only validates our commitment but also positions us for even more significant impact and outreach in the future.</p>	

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<p>In the year 2024, WISH has not pursued any additional grants.</p> <p>We are excited to announce a fundraiser scheduled for Tuesday, February 27th, at Creekbread Pizza. Our dedicated Fundraising Committee is actively organizing a silent auction, and we also have plans to host a 50/50 raffle during the event. All are welcome to join and contribute to this meaningful cause!</p>	

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	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)
Salaries/contracts:	7000	2000	
General operations:	2500		
One-time project / program:			
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):	500		
Other:	1000		
Total	\$ 11000	\$ 2000	18 % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.			

6. Additional Information:	<i>Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.</i>
<p>The WISH team is confident they are making significant strides in enhancing community exposure. With sincere gratitude to the RMOW for their support through the 2023 CEP Grant, WISH has experienced substantial growth in the past months, doubling its followers on both Instagram and Facebook.</p> <p>Additionally, WISH has successfully launched a newly designed website and implemented a donation platform for fundraising campaigns. These initiatives are contributing to the organization's visibility and outreach meaningfully.</p>	

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<p>If WISH successfully secures the 2024 RMOW CEP Grant request of \$2000, the organization plans to collaborate with trained professionals in the social media field. This strategic partnership aims to enhance exposure and connect with a broader audience of interested individuals.</p> <p>WISH remains steadfast in its commitment to pursuing supported housing for individuals with developmental disabilities. Through ongoing community engagements and the support of its charitable non-profit society, the organization will persist in its dedicated path toward achieving its mission and goals.</p>	

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<p>9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?</p>
<p>Our organization places a high priority on truth and reconciliation, acknowledging their profound significance. This commitment is reflected in the language used in our daily communications, on our website, and emphasized at each Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>Looking ahead to 2024, we are actively recruiting new Board members, with a specific focus on finding an individual who can effectively represent the L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People. This intentional effort underscores our dedication to diversity, inclusivity, and fostering meaningful relationships with indigenous communities.</p>

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