



AGENDA

Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council

Village of Ashcroft Council Chambers, 601 Bancroft Street
Monday March 10, 2025, at 5:30 pm

Please be advised that the HUB Online Network will record and broadcast or live stream today's Council meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

"Mayor and Council wish to acknowledge that the meeting today is held within the traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux people."

2. ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

3. MINUTES

All COTW Minutes are adopted at a Regular Meeting of Council.

4. DELEGATIONS

3.1	NONE	
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5. BYLAWS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1	NONE	
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6. STAFF REPORTS

6.1	<p>CAO REPORT – Grant In Aid – First Intake Purpose: The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an opportunity to review and discuss the received Grant in Applications for the first intake of 2025, in line with the Village's Grant in Aid Policy #C-05-2024. M/S <i>THAT, Council rise and report the first intake Grant in Aid allocation to the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, March 10, 2025, determined by Council as follows:</i> TBD</p>	P.

7. CLOSED MEETING

Motion to move to a closed meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1



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7.1	NONE	
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8. TERMINATION

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TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Daniela Dyck, CAO,
SUBJECT: Grant in Aid – Application First Intake

MEETING DATE: March 10, 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, Council rise and report the first intake Grant in Aid allocation to the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, March 10, 2025, determined by Council as follows:

1. TBD

PURPOSE:

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Respectfully Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniela Dyck', is written over a horizontal line.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

BACKGROUND:

The Grant in Aid (GIA) program has an annual budget of \$5,000, divided into two funding periods. The first period ends in February, and the second in August. Traditionally, the budget has been split equally between both intakes. However, as the fall intake has historically been underutilized, Council may consider allocating a larger portion to the spring intake this year as it is oversubscribed. The policy does not require equal distribution between the two periods.

Previous recipients of GIA funding must submit a report to the village detailing the amount spent, confirmation that funds were used as intended, and key highlights from the event. Failure to report will result in ineligibility for future GIA funding until the report is received. All applicants who received funding last year have submitted their reports and are eligible for GIA in 2025 under the policy.

For the Spring intake, seven (7) applications have been received and are attached to this report. Below each heading, a brief summary outlines the intended use of the requested funds.

1. Ashcroft Cache Creek Royal Purple –Two days of learning - \$500
We invite Royal Purple members from across BC, along with leaders from Saskatchewan and Ontario, to a two-day learning event in Cache Creek. Held at the Community Hall, the gathering will focus on education, awareness, and resource-sharing, particularly around Brain Injury and Interpersonal Violence and Abuse. Attendees will also see the impact of Royal Purple's

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contributions, including the hall's funded ramp. Beyond the sessions, we will showcase the area's charm, restaurants, and local highlights like Desert Hills and Horsting Gardens. To highlight Ashcroft's presence, the event will feature a walking tour of Railway Ave.'s mosaics, Heritage Park, and commercial corridor, with an Ashcroft restaurant catering Saturday's meals. Funds will be used to offset the cost of the event.

2. B.O.S.S. Enrichment Center – Backpack Giveaway Event - \$500
Foster a community where self-sufficiency is not just a goal but a reality. To nurture talents and inspire creativity. Grant money will be used to make the backpack giveaway successful by purchasing supplies and sponsoring family activities.
3. Ashcroft 4-H – Entry Fee, show supplies, uniforms - \$500
Ashcroft 4-H promotes youth development through agriculture and community. Funds will be used to offset costs of entry fees, uniforms and show supplies.
4. E-FRY – Building Community Connections for Wellbeing - \$500
The Emotional Preparedness Group is partnering with the Red Cross to enhance community capacity for mental health and crisis intervention through workshops, online sessions, and "Resilience Resources" coping kits. Our goal is to distribute 2,000 kits, but we need additional funding for these hands-on resources. The grant-in-aid will help cover costs as part of our Resilient Together: Building Community Connections for Well-Being project.
5. South Cariboo Sportsmen Association – Club Improvements - \$500
The club promotes firearm safety. Funds will be used to improve the club's range. This year's improvement project is updating the electrical outlets in the RV/Trailer camping area which is available for use during events.
6. Take Off Pounds Sensible (TOPS) – Attend Annual Rally - \$500
Grant funds will be used to enable 6 members to attend the annual TOPS Rally being held in Kelowna on June 13 – 14th. The GIA will be used to offset the cost of registration, hotel, and mileage. Total budget for request is \$1550 – not eligible for the full \$500, max contribution is 25% = \$387.50
7. Twisted Desert Music Society – Production of Fiddler on the Roof - \$500
Funding will be exclusively allocated towards expenses incurred for the production of Fiddler on the Roof which will be performed in April 2025 at the HUB.

CONCLUSION:

Funding is not guaranteed from year to year to encourage organizations to strive for financial independence. Preferred criteria for eligibility include:

- Representing Ashcroft at provincial / national competitions
- One-time start up costs for new programs

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- One-time events beneficial to the municipality
- Organizations demonstrating financial independence and community benefit.

Prior to approving the GIA's, Council is asked to look at the applications through the lens of eligibility as outlined above; does the application fall within the eligibility criteria?

The total Grant in Aid (GIA) requests amount to \$3,500. However, item six (6) from TOPS does not qualify for the full amount under the policy and is eligible for \$387.50, which is 25% of their total project budget of \$1,550. Council must decide whether to increase the spring intake to accommodate the demand, reduce funding allocations to stay within the \$2,500 limit, or decline requests that may fall outside the scope of the GIA policy.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

Grant in Aid Applications



APPENDIX "C"
VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT
GRANT IN AID APPLICATION – ORGANIZATIONS

Organization Official Name: Ashcroft-Cache Creek Royal Purple Lodge
Mailing Address: PO Box 833, 1395 Stage Rd, Cacher Creek, BC V0K 1H0

Phone: 250-612-2031 Email: bcrpapresidentmarvene@gmail.com

Contact Person: Marvene Layte Title: President

Briefly describe your organization’s purpose:

To promote charity in the Province of BC, with our children in mind at all times, and to support the communities and their needs. This being bursaries, support of other non-profit organizations, community events, and the education and development to awareness of Brain Injury and Interpersonal Violence and Abuse.

Briefly describe how the requested grant money will be used:

We would like to bring Royal Purple members from all over BC, and Past President from Saskatchewan, current President from Ontario to enjoy our community. All coming together at the Community Hall in Cache Creek for two days of learning. We shall talk of our purposes, ways to educate our members, bring awareness, and find where we can assist in their learning to give them the tools to do so. Especially in the areas of awareness and resources around Brain Injury and Interpersonal Violence and Abuse. For the members to see the work being offered in our area, the organizations we have assisted, and the ramp, the Royal Purple funded on the Community Hall many years previous, one of the many valuable fundings encouraged in our community. To introduce to them our community, allowing them to enjoy the marvelous weather, what the area has to offer, as so many drive through here but never stop to look around. Will especially enjoy giving them the opportunity to experience our excellent restaurants which we shall be using as caterers, and of course Desert Hills and Horsting Gardens.

What amount of Grant in Aid is being requested? \$ 500.00

Total organization operating budget for current year \$21,430.00

Total budget for project the grant is being applied for \$ 5276.00

Did you receive a Grant in Aid last year? Yes No x

If yes, what was the amount of the grant? \$

Attachments: Please provide the following to your application (if available):



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Organization Official Name: B.O.S.S. Enrichment Center
Mailing Address: 473-209 Railway Ave Ashcroft
Phone: 250 457 1380 Fax: _____ Email: bossenrichmentcenter@gmail.ca
Contact Person: Tova White Title: Executive Director

Briefly describe your organization's purpose:

our purpose is to foster a community where self-sufficiency is not just a goal but a reality.
Briefly describe how the requested grant money will be used: To nurture talent and inspire creativity.

The grant money will help make the backpack giveaway a success, we will use it in all areas of the budget, for supplies and family activities

What amount of Grant in Aid is being requested?

\$500

Total organization operating budget for current year

35000

Total budget for project the grant is being applied for

\$10000

Did you receive a Grant in Aid last year? Yes ___ No

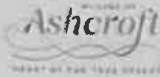
If yes, what was the amount of the grant?

\$0

Attachments: Please provide the following to your application (if available):

- Financial Statement, Current Year Budget, Project Budget

Forward completed applications to: Village of Ashcroft, Box 129, Ashcroft, BC V0K 1A0 or via email: to: ea@ashcroftbc.ca.



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Organization Official Name: Ashcroft 4-H Club
Mailing Address: Po Box 542 Cache Creek, BC V0K-1H0
Phone: 250-808-6982 Fax: _____ Email: _____
Contact Person: Pamela Krause Title: A leader

Briefly describe your organization's purpose:

Promote youth development through agriculture and community

Briefly describe how the requested grant money will be used:

To pay ~~member~~ entry fees for members to go to shows, ~~and~~ show supplies and uniforms

What amount of Grant in Aid is being requested? \$ 500

Total organization operating budget for current year \$ 6352.00

Total budget for project the grant is being applied for \$ 2000

Did you receive a Grant in Aid last year? Yes No

If yes, what was the amount of the grant? \$ 500

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P.O. Box 603
Ashcroft, B.C. V0K 1A0
Phone: (250) 453-9656
Fax: (250) 453-2034
Trish.schachtel@scefry.ca

February 28, 2025

Re: Grant in Aid

Dear Mayor and Council,

On October 25th the Ashcroft Hub, School District #74 and the South Cariboo Elizabeth Fry Society hosted a Collaboration Day for service providers who work with families/caregivers, children and youth. The objective of the day was to look at gaps in services as well as needs and interventions to ensure families are supported. Several small ad hoc groups were formed with a plan on how to address different concerns.

Of course, Climate Fatigue and how do we prepare ourselves emotionally for these events was a hot topic. From this group the idea of helping people become more resilient was born and the idea of "Emotionally Preparing" for these events.

The Emotional Preparedness Group is in contract negotiations with Red Cross to undertake some cross community, cross sectoral work in increasing community capacity for mental health and crisis intervention. This will be done through a series of workshops, online video sessions and through what we are calling "coping kits" or "Resilience Resources". It is a small package with some hands-on practical skill building ideas and interventions to help community members increase their capacity through skill development with our kits.

Our goal is to distribute 2000 of these kits, we have funding to cover all aspects of our project Resilient Together: Building Community Connections for Well Being except for these hands-on resources. We are seeking a grant in aid of \$500.00 to contribute to the costs of these resources.

Sincerely,

Trish Schachtel
Executive Director



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Organization Official Name: SOUTH CARIBOO ELIZABETH FRY SOCIETY

Mailing Address: PO BOX 603 ASHCROFT BC V0K 1A0

Phone: 250-453-9656 Fax: 250-453-2034 Email: trish.schachtel@seefry.ca

Contact Person: TRISH SCHACHTEL Title: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Briefly describe your organization's purpose:

THIS PROJECT IS FOCUSING ON EMOTIONAL PREPAREDNESS AND TO INCREASE OUR COMMUNITY CAPACITY FOR MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION AND RESPONSE

Briefly describe how the requested grant money will be used:

THE RESILIENT TOGETHER: BUILDING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS FOR WELL-BEING PROJECT WILL USE THE FUNDS TO DEVELOP AND DISTRIBUTE "COPING KITS" AND AN EMOTIONAL PREPAREDNESS HANDBOOK

What amount of Grant in Aid is being requested? \$ 500⁰⁰

Total organization operating budget for current year ^{THIS PROJECT} \$ 51,940⁰⁰

Total budget for project the grant is being applied for \$ 6000⁰⁰ / 2000 KITS !!

Did you receive a Grant in Aid last year? Yes No

If yes, what was the amount of the grant? \$ _____

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Applications will be considered by Council twice per year at the first Committee of the Whole COW) meeting in March and September. Applications must be received by February 28/29th and August 31st to be considered.



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Organization Official Name: South Cariboo Sportsman Association
Mailing Address: PO Box 341 Ashcroft BC V0K 1A0
Phone: 778 257 6797 Fax: _____ Email: joanj6214@gmail.com
Contact Person: Joan Jones Title: Secretary/Treasurer

Briefly describe your organization’s purpose:

To provide our members with a safe firearm discharge practice area
and to promote firearm safety.

Briefly describe how the requested grant money will be used:

We are continuing to improve our club range. This year's project
is improving the electrical outlets in the RV/trailer camping area
that is available for our users during events.

What amount of Grant in Aid is being requested? \$ 500
Total organization operating budget for current year \$ 15,000
Total budget for project the grant is being applied for \$ 5,000
Did you receive a Grant in Aid last year? Yes x No _____
If yes, what was the amount of the grant? \$ 500

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Organization Official Name: Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS)

Mailing Address: Box 223, Ashcroft, BC V0K1A0

Phone: 250 457 6381 Fax: _____ Email: mmneil@telus.net

Contact Person: Marilyn Neil Title: Weight Recorder

Briefly describe your organization’s purpose:

TOPS has been in Ashcroft for 55 years, providing a support group for our members
to help them in their weight loss journey through nutrition advice, and mental and physical support.

Briefly describe how the requested grant money will be used:

Grant funds will be used to allow 6 members attend the annual TOPS Rally being in Kelowna this year
on June 13th and 14th. Money will be used towards registration fees, hotel stay and milage.

What amount of Grant in Aid is being requested? \$ 500

Total organization operating budget for current year \$ 3859

Total budget for project the grant is being applied for \$ 1550

Did you receive a Grant in Aid last year? Yes No

If yes, what was the amount of the grant? \$ _____

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February 6, 2025

Hello,

Attached is an application for a grant-in-aid.

We are Twisted Desert Music Society (Sage Sound Singers).

We will be staging the musical "Fiddler on the Roof" at the HUB April 8th through April 12th at the HUB.

We are in the middle of rehearsals now and are excited about providing some high quality entertainment for our Area. (Ashcroft, Cache Creek, Clinton, Savona, Spences Bridge, and Logan Lake).

We would truly appreciate any support the Village of Ashcroft is able to give to help make our endeavor successful. I have attached the application and requested other documents to this email.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

James Mertel

Treasurer, Twisted Desert Music Society



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Organization Official Name: Twisted Desert Music Society
Mailing Address: PO Box 142
Phone: 250-457-7040 Fax: Email: redstar@rukbat.ca
Contact Person: James Mertel Title: Treasurer

Briefly describe your organization's purpose:

The Twisted Desert Music Society purpose is to cultivate a community of music enthusiasts dedicated to spreading joy, fostering connection, and nurturing the human spirit through the universal language of music for the enjoyment of all.

Briefly describe how the requested grant money will be used:

The grant funding will be exclusively allocated to offsetting the costs associated with the production of our upcoming performance of "Fiddler on the Roof." Specifically, the grant funds will be allocated to cover various aspects of the production process, including costumes, set design and construction, and equipment rental.

What amount of Grant in Aid is being requested? \$ 500
Total organization operating budget for current year \$ 44,698.17
Total budget for project the grant is being applied for \$ 36,670.52
Did you receive a Grant in Aid last year? Yes ___ No X
If yes, what was the amount of the grant? \$ _____

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