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| Blue Lake Forest Education Society | | |
| Blue Paddle Campaign | | |
| The Blue Paddle Campaign provides subsidies for local youth to attend Blue Lake programs. These vary from day camp, to over night camp experiences. They take place at Blue Lake Camp, and in individual communities for day programs. | | |
| | City of Cranbrook | \$4,410.00 |
| | City of Fernie | \$1,960.00 |
| | City of Kimberley | \$1,960.00 |
| | District of Elkford | \$980.00 |
| | District of Invermere | \$1,470.00 |
| | District of Sparwood | \$1,470.00 |
| | Village of Canal Flats | \$490.00 |
| | Village of Radium Hot Springs | \$490.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | \$980.00 |
| | Electoral Area B | \$490.00 |
| | Electoral Area C | \$1,960.00 |
| | Electoral Area E | \$980.00 |
| | Electoral Area F | \$980.00 |
| | Electoral Area G | \$980.00 |
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| | | \$19,600.00 |



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| British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals - East Kootenay Branch | | |
| Low Cost Spay/Neuter Project | | |
| The Low Cost Spay/Neuter Project at the East Kootenay Branch of the BC SPCA targets pet overpopulation by providing free or subsidized spay/neuter procedures for owned cats in low income households as well as feral cats throughout the East Kootenay Region. The program also provides microchips to all animals participating in the program as well as a membership to the BC Pet Registry to help lost pets be safely returned to their owners. | | |
| | City of Cranbrook | \$12,000.00 |
| | City of Fernie | \$1,000.00 |
| | City of Kimberley | \$2,000.00 |
| | District of Elkford | \$500.00 |
| | District of Invermere | \$900.00 |
| | District of Sparwood | \$500.00 |
| | Village of Canal Flats | \$600.00 |
| | Village of Radium Hot Springs | \$700.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | \$500.00 |
| | Electoral Area B | \$500.00 |
| | Electoral Area C | \$4,000.00 |
| | Electoral Area E | \$3,000.00 |
| | Electoral Area F | \$500.00 |
| | Electoral Area G | \$1,000.00 |
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| | | \$27,700.00 |



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| Columbia Basin Institute of Regional History | | |
| Waldo Stockbreeders' Association History | | |
| <p>The Waldo Stockbreeders' Association was formed in 1939 by a group of local ranchers and residents. The original focus was on wild horses and a growing sheep/cattle conflict. The initial push was by Jack Aye from Jaffray, B.C., and Jack McDonald from Grasmere, B.C.</p> <p>The organization's boundaries grew and expanded to include the South Country, Elk Valley, Baynes Lake, and the Elko Auction Yards, followed by the Cranbrook and Wycliffe areas.</p> <p>The Stockbreeders' Association was very active in the events before and after the Libby Dam flooding.</p> <p>Through this project, the Stockbreeders' history and the place of farming and ranching in the rural and economic life of East Kootenay will come to life. The information will be assembled as a feature page exhibit on the CBIRH website and as a series on CBIRH's YouTube channel, linked through the website.</p> | | |
| | City of Cranbrook | \$700.00 |
| | City of Fernie | \$800.00 |
| | City of Kimberley | \$245.00 |
| | District of Elkford | \$200.00 |
| | District of Sparwood | \$500.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | \$1,000.00 |
| | Electoral Area B | \$1,500.00 |
| | Electoral Area C | \$900.00 |
| | | \$5,845.00 |



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Cranbrook and District 4-H Council Association

Safe with 4-H

Safe with 4-H 2021 will be the 5th safety day hosted by Cranbrook & District 4-H Council. Safe with 4-H is a one-day family event focussed on making home and farm life safer and healthier for all children and their families through education and training. Education and training for 2021 will include ATV safety, Emergency Preparedness, Fire Safety, Electricity Safety, safety around equipment, safe animal handling, etc. The day is broken into 2 parts: 1. Safety Presentation (ATV Safety and Helmet Fitting); and, 2. Safety Circuit - a variety of safety learning stations with hands-on activities (try a fire extinguisher, build a first aid kit, vision impairment obstacle course). Safe with 4-H requires a number of volunteers (approx. 20-30) to assist with presentations, leading safety circuit activities, fitting the helmets and signing in and handing out Safe with 4-H t-shirts.

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| City of Cranbrook | \$3,500.00 |
| City of Fernie | \$500.00 |
| District of Sparwood | \$300.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$300.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$475.00 |
| Electoral Area C | \$475.00 |
| Electoral Area E | \$200.00 |
| Electoral Area G | \$125.00 |
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| | \$5,875.00 |

Elk Valley Air Search and Rescue Association

Emergency Locator Beacon

To replace an obsolete emergency locator beacon (ELT) with the new type ELT.

Update vital safety equipment in the associations aircraft.

Equipment will be replaced by a certified avionics company in Kelowna which is our nearest installer in BC.

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| City of Fernie | \$825.00 |
| District of Elkford | \$825.00 |
| District of Sparwood | \$825.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$825.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$830.00 |
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| Elk Valley Critical Incident Response Team | | |
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| <p>Critical Incident Stress Management is a group and/or individual technique: defusing or debriefing, used after a critical incident or traumatic event, facilitated by trained volunteers. It is used to minimize the emotional and potentially psychological impact of that event and speed the normal recovery of people who have been exposed to an abnormal event. Where very large numbers of people are effected a Crisis Management Briefing is provided. Training for team members and general public with an interest in Stress Management is also organized and provided depending upon availability of trainers and numbers interested.</p> | | |
| | District of Sparwood | \$2,500.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | \$1,000.00 |
| | Electoral Area B | \$1,100.00 |
| | City of Fernie | \$3,000.00 |
| | District of Elkford | \$2,400.00 |
| | | \$10,000.00 |

Elk Valley Society for Community Living

Summer Program for Children with Special Needs

The program provides recreational activities and opportunities for socialization for children with mental and physical challenges who are frequently excluded from other community programs due to their behaviours, lack of skills, medical needs and mental challenges. The EVSCL provides both transportation and adult supervision so that the program is safe, individualized and varied. Four adults are hired to run the program out of Fernie and Sparwood Recreation Centres. Each child can attend the program as often as 5 days a week for 8 weeks through the months of July and August, 2021.

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| City of Fernie | \$3,000.00 |
| District of Sparwood | \$3,000.00 |
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| | \$9,000.00 |



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Elkford Housing Society

Common Area Furnishing and Tenant Computer

The Elkford Housing Society is applying for funding towards common area furnishings and a tenant computer for the Elkford Senior Housing. BC Housing, Columbia Basin Trust and CMHC have all committed to contributing to capital costs towards the construction of the building. BC Housing will enter into a 60 year ongoing operating agreement with the Elkford Housing Society to operate a 22 unit building for seniors and people with disabilities in Elkford. The Elkford Housing Society is responsible for furnishing common areas in the building. The cost of this is estimated to be \$100,000. We plan to raise the funds by applying for grants and holding fundraising events. Unfortunately, fundraising opportunities are limited at this time due to COVID.

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| District of Elkford | \$8,000.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$2,000.00 |
| | <u>\$10,000.00</u> |

Fernie & District Historical Society

Gallery Update

The Fernie Museum's main floor gallery "This is Our Fernie" was installed and open to the public in 2013. At the time, a small section of the exhibit told the Ghost rider legend's fabled story and the town's curse. In recent years, through a developing relationship with Ktunaxa representatives, the museum board has realized this aspect of the permanent exhibit needed to be upgraded to reflect the area's true history of the first contact.

This project will create and install new content components that will share Ktunaxa stories of living in the Elk Valley, from the Creation Story to the present day. This will involve researching and writing the new content and then installing new exhibit elements, including a video component.

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| City of Fernie | \$3,500.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$1,000.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$1,000.00 |
| | <u>\$5,500.00</u> |

Fernie Family Housing Society

Modified Unit Restoration

We wish to renovate a modified unit at New Horizon Village to bring it up to the accessible standards for 2021. This unit would become an affordable, accessible and useable unit for any person with any disability. With the help of the community and contractors we will be able to make this unit the best unit in all the Elk Valley for persons with a disability

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| City of Fernie | \$10,000.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$15,000.00 |
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Fernie Pride Society

Elk Valley Pride Festival

The 5th Annual Elk Valley Pride Festival is a 5-day celebration of diversity, inclusion, and Pride for LGBTQ2+ individuals and allies and takes place primarily in Fernie, BC. The 5th annual celebration is scheduled for September 2021 and will feature cultural events for all ages, educational opportunities, a bike parade, and flag raising ceremony amongst a myriad of other activities. The Elk Valley Pride Festival format in 2021 will again be dictated by the current global pandemic and what is and is not recommended for public events. In September 2020 we successfully hosted the Festival with a combination of small (max 20 person) in-person events, virtual events, and live streaming. We will be planning for all scenarios but assume we will be again operating with a combination in small in-person and virtual events in 2021.

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| City of Fernie | \$4,000.00 |
| District of Elkford | \$750.00 |
| District of Sparwood | \$1,000.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$1,500.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$750.00 |
| | \$8,000.00 |

Fernie Trails & Ski Touring Club

Harvey Warming Hut

The project is to fulfill completing the building of an official BC Recreation Site warming hut. In the winter skiers, snowboarders, snowmobilers, snowshoers and ice climbers frequent the location. In the summer hikers, bikers, wildlife viewers, trappers, hunters and berry pickers are common users.

The warming hut will provide warmth and shelter for recreation users.

The project will be achieved by an organized effort involving 500 hours of volunteer time.

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| City of Cranbrook | \$3,000.00 |
| City of Fernie | \$5,313.00 |
| City of Kimberley | \$2,000.00 |
| District of Elkford | \$2,000.00 |
| District of Sparwood | \$3,000.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$7,000.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$2,000.00 |
| | \$24,313.00 |



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| Kootenay Association for Science & Technology | | |
| Virtual STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) Youth Forum | | |
| <p>The Virtual Youth STEAM Forum is an online forum located within KAST's Kootenay Tech and Knowledge Workers Forum that connects youth age 10 to 18 in the East Kootenay region to free STEAM educational programs, resources, jobs and mentorship opportunities.</p> <p>The Virtual STEAM Forum will provide continuity of learning for GLOWS (Growing & Learning Opportunities With STEAM) program participants. GLOWS is KAST's youth program. GLOWS offers free annual STEAM learning opportunities for Kootenay youth including Robot Games, Kootenay Contraption Contest and Quantum Leaps - A Girls in STEAM & Leadership Conference.</p> | | |
| | City of Cranbrook | \$4,600.00 |
| | City of Fernie | \$2,500.00 |
| | City of Kimberley | \$2,000.00 |
| | District of Elkford | \$500.00 |
| | District of Invermere | \$1,000.00 |
| | District of Sparwood | \$500.00 |
| | Village of Canal Flats | \$500.00 |
| | Village of Radium Hot Springs | \$500.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | \$250.00 |
| | Electoral Area B | \$250.00 |
| | Electoral Area C | \$250.00 |
| | Electoral Area E | \$250.00 |
| | Electoral Area F | \$250.00 |
| | Electoral Area G | \$250.00 |
| | | \$13,600.00 |



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Kootenay East Youth Soccer Association

Cranbrook Indoor Sports Facility Vehicle Airlock

The vehicle airlock is a much needed component of the Cranbrook Indoor Sports Facility. The main component, the airdome, has been installed and is operational and KEYSA is now working towards completion of the facility as a whole. The vehicle airlock will allow vehicles and other large objects to move in/out of the facility for various reasons including loading in/out for conventions, tradeshow, concerts, and transporting equipment. Use of the airlock will also be required for large equipment and materials to enter the facility for any repairs, replacement of dome components or turf. Lastly, the airlock can provide valuable storage when not in use.

The airlock system allows the dome to maintain positive pressure whenever something large enters/exits the facility over a longer period of time. It involves a 2-door system that allows larger objects to be safely and slowly placed inside the lock, the lock closed, and the interior door opened, allowing passage without ever having the inside of the dome exposed to the exterior. This larger entrance provides invaluable access for potential rentals as well as the multiple dedicated user groups that need to bring equipment in and out of the indoor sports facility.

Working with the dome suppliers, the Farley Group, as well as local door installers and electricians, KEYSA will oversee the management of this project.

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| City of Cranbrook | \$31,500.00 |
| City of Fernie | \$7,000.00 |
| City of Kimberley | \$11,500.00 |
| District of Invermere | \$2,000.00 |
| District of Sparwood | \$2,000.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$4,000.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$4,000.00 |
| Electoral Area C | \$6,000.00 |
| Electoral Area E | \$2,000.00 |
| | \$70,000.00 |

Kootenay Livestock Association

Soil and Land Health Toolkit

This project involves purchasing soil and forage testing equipment which can be borrowed by all Basin people for minor depth core sampling of their land for lab testing. These results will steer individuals in their decision making for nutrient management on their land.

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| Electoral Area A | \$200.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$350.80 |
| Electoral Area C | \$650.00 |
| Electoral Area E | \$250.00 |
| Electoral Area F | \$250.00 |
| Electoral Area G | \$150.00 |
| | \$1,850.80 |



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| Michel Natel Sparwood Heritage Society | | |
| Mining History Walking Tour and Suitcases | | |
| <p>A walking tour showing historic sites within Sparwood as well as the previous communities of Michel, Natel and Middletown, as well as through the old Hosmer Mine Site. suitcases will be filled with artifacts and information to bring the museum to the schools, and to other user groups in the area.</p> | | |
| | District of Sparwood | \$5,000.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | <u>\$5,000.00</u> |
| | | \$10,000.00 |
| Northern BC Friends of Children - East Kootenay Branch | | |
| East Kootenay Family Support Project | | |
| <p>Our project assists East Kootenay families with children from birth through 18 years who are forced to travel due to their child's illness or injury. Friends of Children will provide financial support for fuel, accommodations, parking and food, and coordinate with other agencies to provide information and access to additional resources.</p> | | |
| | City of Cranbrook | \$9,000.00 |
| | City of Fernie | \$1,000.00 |
| | City of Kimberley | \$2,500.00 |
| | District of Invermere | \$1,500.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | \$500.00 |
| | Electoral Area C | <u>\$500.00</u> |
| | | \$15,000.00 |



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| Senior Citizens Club of Fernie & District | | |
| Seniors Centre Window Covering Project | | |
| <p>The Fernie Seniors Drop-In Centre is a heavily used community asset. The facility was opened in 1984 and although the Society, in conjunction with the City of Fernie, have maintained it to excellent standards the interior window coverings are in need of replacement. In December 2020 we replaced the windows at the Centre to triple-pane, commercial grade windows in order to increase energy efficiency and decrease heating and cooling costs. In order to maximize these benefits we are now seeking to replace our current window blinds with new Hunter Douglas vertical blinds that will further increase facility efficiency.</p> <p>We are seeking assistance to change out all interior window coverings to increase energy efficiency and ensure facility maintenance and sustainability. We are fortunate to have spectacular views thanks to our numerous and very tall windows. The size and number of windows allow for appreciation of our natural surroundings but it also means that the facility does experience heat loss and gain, even with upgraded and efficient windows. As much as 30% of a buildings heating and cooling energy can be lost through its windows. An upgraded blind system would allow us to better control solar heat, create better insulation, and further maximize energy cost savings.</p> <p>New window coverings would allow for greater energy efficiency, decreased utility costs, and create a comfortable environment for facility users and members.</p> | | |
| | City of Fernie | \$3,550.00 |
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| | | \$5,050.00 |



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Southeast Kootenay School District No. 5
Sponsoring: Kootenay-Boundary Environmental Education Initiative

Outdoor Learning Kits for Classrooms

Over the past 5 years our local school districts have collaborated to offer the the Take Me Outside for Learning School Year Challenge. This challenge encourages teachers in all 7 school districts in our region (5, 6, 8, 10 19, 20 & 51) to sign up to commit to taking their learning outside regularly throughout the school year. The goal of this is to deepen academic outcomes while also supporting mental and physical health. In exchange, we endeavor to provide resources and support to help them do so effectively.

As a result, we are looking at opportunities to provide more support to classrooms in the RDEK to better undertake this in the year ahead. We have heard from teachers that one of the main obstacles to undertaking outdoor learning is having the appropriate resources and equipment available. While we provide as much support as we can within our limited budgets, to be able to better support students in our region, we would like to request your support to be able to offer 50 Outdoor Learning Classroom Kits for classrooms in schools across your local area (RDEK portion of SD5 & SD6).

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| City of Cranbrook | \$5,000.00 |
| City of Fernie | \$1,000.00 |
| City of Kimberley | \$2,500.00 |
| District of Elkford | \$1,000.00 |
| District of Invermere | \$1,000.00 |
| District of Sparwood | \$1,000.00 |
| Village of Canal Flats | \$1,000.00 |
| Village of Radium Hot Springs | \$1,000.00 |
| Electoral Area A | \$500.00 |
| Electoral Area B | \$500.00 |
| Electoral Area C | \$2,500.00 |
| Electoral Area E | \$1,000.00 |
| Electoral Area F | \$1,000.00 |
| Electoral Area G | \$1,000.00 |
| | \$20,000.00 |

Sparwood Golf Club

Electronic Timing System for Irrigation

We will purchase a Toro Control R Series. This a wireless electronic timing system for our current irrigation system. It will allow our grounds superintendent to change the timing , anywhere on the course, with an electronic device (iPad, or Watch) It will save time, water and energy. we will purchase the system, it will be delivered and our grounds crew will assist in the instillation

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| District of Sparwood | \$6,000.00 |
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| | \$8,000.00 |



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| Wildsight Elk Valley Branch | | |
| "Protecting Stories in Stone" - A Conservation Plan for the Fernie Ammonite | | |
| <p>Considered one of the largest ammonite fossils in Canada, the Fernie Ammonite (<i>Titanites occidentalis</i>) preserves the remains of a 1.4 m carnivorous cephalopod that lived and died in a shallow sea some 150 million years ago. Located up Coal Creek, locals have visited the fossil for decades. With social media, trail apps, instagram, etc. the location of the fossil is well known. There needs to be an identified parking area safe for visitors out of the way of industrial traffic (e.g. logging trucks), designated signed hiking trail to ensure safe access, along with persuasive text on 3 interpretive signs to inform visitors of the significance of the fossil and encourage conservation of this unique, nationally significant fossil specimen.</p> | | |
| | City of Fernie | \$5,326.00 |
| | Electoral Area A | <u>\$5,325.00</u> |
| | | \$10,651.00 |
| | Total Funding Requested: | <u>\$53,380.00</u> |