



## **RECREATION, PARKS AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

<b>TO:</b>	Recreation Governance Committee		
<b>DATE:</b>	December 1, 2020	<b>DIVISION:</b>	All
<b>FILE:</b>	N/A	<b>APPLICATION:</b>	N/A
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Community Recreation Grant Funding		

### **POLICY DIRECTION:**

The fall intake of capital applications were evaluated in accordance with Community Recreation Funding Policy C-317.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Non-profit organizations provide and develop a range of cultural, recreational, sports-based, and other community-based services and projects. Community Recreation Funding Policy C-317 enables recreational development and ongoing partnerships, enhancing access to recreational facility services and programs for the greatest community impact.

A total of \$245,258.00 is available to be distributed to eligible non-profit organizations in fall 2020 through the Recreational Tax Levy.

There were ten (10) operational funding applications totaling \$181,410.00, eight (8) capital funding applications totaling \$166,137.50, and one (1) emergency application totaling \$4,950.00 received during the fall 2020 intake, for a total request of \$352,497.50.

Tables 1 and 2 summarize the submitted applications with the requested amounts, and the amounts recommended for funding.

The Recreation Governance Committee (RGC) is the final approving authority for all recreation matters under the approved Terms of Reference. Administration has reviewed each application under Policy C-317; these are before RGC for consideration.

**Table 1: Community Applications - Operational**

Division	Organization	Funding to support	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
<b>Applications under \$100,000</b>				
<i>County-based Applications</i>				
2	Springbank Equestrian Society	Operational costs, including utilities, building maintenance, septic service and groundskeeping; to cover 70% of expenses.	\$10,500.00	\$2,930.00
2	Springbank Heritage Club	Operational costs; to cover 62% of expenses.	\$28,300.00	\$28,300.00
4	Bow Valley Community Club	Safe facility operations and unforeseen maintenance issues; to cover 27% of expenses.	\$36,750.00	\$36,750.00

### **Administration Resources**

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Division	Organization	Funding to support	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
4	Langdon Theatre Association	Purchase of equipment and software to host online productions, rent for prop and costume storage, and leadership skills training for board members; to cover 12% of expenses.	\$6,250.00	\$6,250.00
7	Barbados Canadian Association of Calgary	Operational expenses through September 2021; to cover 45% of expenses.	\$50,000.00	\$0.00
7	Madden Curling Club	Operational expenses for the regular curling season, including utilities, ice maker wages, social distancing identification, cleaning, curling plant start up fees, and Curling Canada fees; to cover 100% of expenses.	\$23,610.00	\$17,410.00
9	Beaupre Community Hall Association	Insurance and utilities for six months to bridge the COVID gap; to cover 38% of expenses.	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
9	Mountain View Cowpoke Junior Rodeo Club	Arena rental, medic costs, and timers; to cover 10% of expenses.	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
<i>Adjacent Municipalities</i>				
Beiseker	Beiseker Minor Hockey	Provide each of the six teams with seven player skill training sessions, and pay for referees at home games; to cover 12% of expenses.	\$11,000.00	\$0.00
Chestermere	Camp Chestermere	Snow removal costs; to cover 1% of expenses.	\$6,000.00	\$0.00
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$181,410.00</b>	<b>\$100,640.00</b>

**Table 2: Community Applications - Capital**

Division	Organization	Funding to support	Amount requested	Amount recommended
<b>Applications under \$100,000</b>				
<i>County Applications</i>				
3	KOAC Arts Centre	Build pathways, replace the deck on the main house, install a road culvert to alleviate spring runoff issues, install a new entrance gate and sign, build a rock bridge in wetland area, install a safety rail on the pond.	\$44,261.50	\$33,106.00
4	Bow Valley Community Club	Replacement of the cold brine pump	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
5	Eastgate Saddle Club	Purchase a tractor with a tiller and mower attachment, and replace the 30 year old fencing around the front of the property.	\$25,972.00	\$0.00
7	Balzac Community Hall Association	Refinish the hardwood floor and install new trim between the hardwood and carpet.	\$3,190.50	\$3,190.50
8	Bearspaw Glendale Community Association	Emergency water heater replacement and scheduled lifecycle replacement of the water heater in the portable at the Bearspaw Lifestyle Centre.	\$4,950.00	\$4,950.00
8	Bearspaw Glendale Community Association	Purchase and installation of gym and room partitions, kitchen renovations; and alarm system replacement and camera upgrade at the Bearspaw Lifestyle Centre (BLC).	\$70,709.50	\$70,709.50
9	Beaupre Community Association	Replace the Beaupre Community Hall roof.	\$8,390.00	\$8,390.00
<i>Adjacent Municipalities</i>				
Cochrane	Cochrane Minor Baseball	Assist with purchase of a batting cage, portable pitching mound, and shed.	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
Cochrane	Extreme Cowboy Alberta Association	Repairs and improvements to Ranchlands Horse Park; install media stands and a storage facility; and purchase a generator.	\$7,614.00	\$0.00
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$171,087.50</b>	<b>\$123,346.00</b>

**ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:**

Administration recommends approval of 13 of the 19 applications, for a total of \$223,986.00, in accordance with Option #1.



### **BACKGROUND:**

RGC evaluates and approves grant applications based on policy and Administration's review. The Committee makes strategic decisions to prioritize recreation funding, looking at the needs of the entire County, including consideration of programs, services, and facilities that the County funds in neighboring municipalities.

During the fall 2020 application intake, Rocky View County received a total of 19 requests for funding. Administration reviewed the application packages for compliance under Policy C-317, and presents them for RGC's consideration. A summary of the applications, with funding previously received by the applicant groups, is shown in Attachment 'A'. Detailed application reviews are provided in Attachment 'B'.

### **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

A total of \$245,258.00 is available to be distributed to eligible non-profit organizations in 2020 through the Recreational Tax Levy. From a total of 19 funding applications received in the Fall 2020 intake, 13 are being recommended for funding. The total adds up to \$223,986, leaving a balance of \$21,272.00 to be carried over to the public reserve for future capital recreation projects.

### **OPTIONS:**

- Option #1      THAT Recreation Community Operational funding be approved in the amount of \$100,640.00, and that the Recreation Community Capital funding be approved in the amount of \$123,346.00, from the 2020 Recreation Tax Levy, as per Attachment 'C'.
- Option # 2      THAT alternative direction be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

ATTACHMENT 'A' – Summary of fall 2020 applications

ATTACHMENT 'B' – Detailed application reviews

ATTACHMENT 'C' – 2020 Recreation Funding Allocation Recommendations Summary

Summary of Fall 2020 Community Applications

		DIVISION 2		DIVISION 3	
		Springbank Equestrian Society	Springbank Heritage Club	KOAC Arts Centre	
Previously Received Funds					
2017	Operational	\$10,500.00	\$27,000.00		
2018	Operational	\$10,500.00	\$15,000.00		
2019	Operational	\$10,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	
2020	Operational			\$30,000.00	
Total RVC Recreation Funding Since 2017		\$31,500.00	\$57,000.00	\$45,000.00	

Fall 2020 Requests				
Operational		\$10,500.00	\$28,300.00	
Operational Ask For		Utilities, building maintenance, septic service and grounds-keeping.	Insurance, utilities and lifecycle costs.	
Capital				\$44,261.50
Capital Ask For				Costs to build pathways, bridge and safety rails; install a road culvert, entrance gate and sign; and replace the deck on the house.

		DIVISION 4		DIVISION 5	
		Bow Valley Community Club	Langdon Theatre Association	Eastgate Saddle Club	
Previously Received Funds					
2017	Operational		\$2,866.50		
	Capital	\$8,792.00			
2018	Operational		\$2,500.00		
	Capital	\$33,771.81			
2019	Capital	\$23,816.80			
2020	Emergency	\$2,800.00			
Total RVC Recreation Funding Since 2017		\$69,180.61	\$5,366.50		\$0.00
Fall 2020 Requests					
Operational		\$36,750.00	\$6,250.00		
Operational Ask For		Safe facility operations and unforeseen maintenance issues.	Equipment and software to host online productions; rent for prop and costume storage; and board member training.		
Capital		\$3,000.00		\$25,972.00	
Capital Ask For				Tractor with a tiller and mower attachment, and fence replacement.	

		DIVISION 7		
		Balzac Community Hall Association	The Barbados Canadian Association of Calgary	Madden Curling Club
Previously Received Funds				
2017	Operational	\$8,000.00		
2019	Emergency			\$13,293.93
2020	Operational	\$10,000.00		
Total RVC Recreation Funding Since 2017		\$18,000.00	\$0.00	\$13,293.93

Fall 2020 Requests			
Operational		\$50,000.00	\$23,610.00
Operational Ask For		Operational expenses through September 2021.	Operational expenses for the regular curling season.
Capital	\$3,190.50		
Capital Ask For	Refinishing hardwood floor and installing new trim.		

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\$6,500.00	\$2,500.00
Insurance and utilities for six months.	Arena rental, medic costs, and timers.
\$8,390.00	
Replacing the Beaupre Community Hall roof.	



		ADJACENT MUNICIPALITIES			
		Beiseker	Chestermere	Cochrane	
		Beiseker Minor Hockey	Camp Chestermere	Cochrane Minor Baseball	Extreme Cowboy Alberta Association
Previously Received Funds					
2017	Operational	\$5,000.00			
	Capital		\$27,500.00		\$8,772.32
2018	Operational	\$5,000.00	\$8,893.50		
2019	Operational	\$5,000.00	\$30,832.93		
	Capital		\$36,719.64		
Total RVC Recreation Funding Since 2017		\$15,000.00	\$103,946.07	\$0.00	\$8,772.32

Fall 2020 Requests					
Operational		\$11,000.00	\$6,000.00		
Operational Ask For		Player skill training sessions, and referees at home games.	Snow removal costs.		
Capital				\$3,000.00	\$7,614.00
Capital Ask For				A batting cage, portable pitching mound, and shed.	Improvements to Ranchlands Horse Park, media stands, a storage facility, and a generator.

**Detailed Application Reviews****Operational Community Applications****County Applications:***Division 2***1. Springbank Equestrian Society (SES)****Request:**

\$10,500.00 towards operational costs, including utilities, building maintenance, septic service and groundskeeping.

**Background:**

- SES is a public equestrian facility. Groups that make use of these facilities include: Calgary Western Riders, Springbank 4H Rawhides, Polocross Calgary and Sarcee Pony Club
- SES membership is composed of 30 County residents, and 50 non-residents.
- The organization holds a License of Occupation agreement with the County for use of these Municipal Reserve lands.

**Application review:**

- The requested funds from RVC equals 70% of the projected expenses.
- Total annual operational costs are approximately \$14,985.00. The anticipated revenue of \$2,500.00 (\$2,000 of which is sourced from rentals; membership fees are not charged) leaves an anticipated shortfall of \$12,485.00 for the 2020-21 budget year.
- SES has carried over \$9,553.39 from previous years' operational grants.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Springbank Equestrian Society's funding request be approved for up to \$2,930 (the difference between budget shortfall and funds carried over from previous years) from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

**2. Springbank Heritage Club (SHC)****Request:**

\$28,300.00 to assist with operational costs.

**Background:**

- SHC is a 50+ seniors' facility and community usage club. The hall serves as an election centre, and due to the collapse, condemnation, and dismantling of the old Springbank Hall, it serves as the only community hall available in Springbank.
- SHC membership is approximately 120, with 70 (58%) of the members being County residents. An estimated 800 additional residents accessed the facility in 2019.

Application review:

- The requested funds from RVC equals 62% of the projected expenses for the 2020 fiscal year.
- The requested amount takes into consideration 2019 loss and anticipated 2020 revenue shortfall due to COVID-19, which would usually be covered by casino revenue.
- Total annual operational costs are approximately \$45,370.00. The anticipated revenue of \$18,200.00 (\$5,000 of which is sourced from hall rentals; \$7,600 from fundraising events; and \$3,800 from membership dues) leaves a shortfall of \$27,170.00.
- The SHC's significant investments are earmarked for the facility renovations and expansion, for which the County has provided matching funding.
- All other requirements of Policy C-317 are met.
- Administration recommends that the Springbank Heritage Club's funding request be approved for up to \$28,300.00 for utility costs, insurance, and maintenance expenses from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Division 4***3. Bow Valley Community Club (BVCC)**Request:

\$36,750.00 towards safe facility operations and unforeseen maintenance issues.

Background:

- BVCC provides a facility for seniors, curlers, and hockey players, with a membership of approximately 390, 90 (23%) of whom are County residents. They host multiple events throughout the year and rent the facility to schools or for private functions.
- There has been an increase in memberships as the Chestermere curling rink is not operating this year, and BVCC is the only curling club in the eastern county.
- BVCC anticipates the generation of cash flow (if pandemic restrictions are lifted) through their annual bonspiel and food and drink sales. The organization holds a License of Occupation agreement with the County for use of these Municipal Reserve lands.

Application review:

- The requested funds from RVC equals 27% of the projected expenses.
- Total annual operational costs are approximately \$136,357.90. The anticipated revenue of \$89,300.00 (\$60,300 of which is sourced from membership fees) leaves a shortfall of \$47,057.90.
- A CFEP application for \$27,000.00 has been submitted to cover some wages.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Given minimal available fiscal resources, Administration recommends that the Bow Valley Community Club's funding request be approved for up to \$36,750.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

**4. Langdon Theatre Association (LTA)**Request:

\$6,250.00 towards the purchase of equipment and software to host online productions, for rent for prop and costume storage, and to train board members with leadership skills.

Background:

- LTA provides the youth of Langdon and surrounding area with the opportunity to learn life skills through theatre. It is anticipated that for the 2020-2021 season, LTA will be fully subscribed, with 50 participants, 45 (90%) of whom are County residents.
- The organization does not currently have a lease for a practice space, but is pivoting to online productions in response to pandemic restrictions.

Application review:

- The requested funds from RVC equals 12% of the projected expenses.
- Total annual operational costs are approximately \$53,404.00. The anticipated revenue of \$32,955.00 (all of which is sourced from FCSS and AFA grants) leaves a shortfall of \$20,449.47.
- The shortfall will be covered by the LTA bank balance and the requested Community Recreation Grant.
- As per Policy C-317, additional grant funding for programs that receive funding from FCSS is discretionary.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Langdon Theatre Association's request be approved for up to \$6,250.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Division 7***5. The Barbados Canadian Association of Calgary (TBCAC)**Request:

\$50,000.00 to support paying operational expenses (including maintenance, office supplies, utilities, and insurance) through September 2021.

Background:

- The Barbados Canadian Association of Calgary (TBCAC) works towards promoting Barbadian culture and achievements to the public through participation in local and regional cultural activities.
- Annually, about 150 non-County residents take part in TBCAC events. It is unknown how many County residents benefit, though workers in the area have taken part in their events. Regular membership is 20 to 25 people, none of whom are County residents.
- The TBCAC office is located in an industrial condo on Wagon Wheel Way in East Balzac. TBCAC has submitted a grant application to the Government of Canada's Supporting Black Canadian Communities Initiative fund to assist with completion of facility renovations.  
The facility will be available for public rental or use once renovations and the building inspection are complete.

Application review:

- The requested funds from RVC equals 45% of the projected expenses.
- Anticipated annual operational costs are \$111,590.00, and the projected revenue for 2020-2021 is \$66,725.00 (primarily casino funds). Approximately 63% of expenses are associated with condo occupancy (condo fees, mortgage, insurance, and taxes); \$12,500.00 is dedicated to a scholarship and donations, and \$10,000 is for advertising and promotional activities (ineligible expenses by policy).
- TBCAC holds fundraising events and proposes programming that includes: family movie night, Sunday lunches, youth & young/adult job fair, kids' arts and craft day, highway clean up, weekend tutoring, kids summer camp, black history month event, taste of the Caribbean, Easter lunch and egg hunt, Barbados independence dinner & dance, and a casino night.
- The organization provides educational scholarships, and provides donations of time and resources to local and national charities. As such, it is what Policy C-317 defines as a service club; eligibility is subject to RGC's discretion.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Given the uncertainty of the benefit to County residents (no residents are members), and the service club nature of the organization, Administration recommends that The Barbados Canadian Association of Calgary's funding request be declined.

**6. Madden Curling Club**Request:

\$23,610.00 to support paying operational expenses for the regular curling season, including utilities, ice maker wages, social distancing identification, cleaning, curling plant start up fees, and Curling Canada fees.

Background:

- The Madden Curling Club provides a seasonal curling rink in Madden. Of the 100 club members, 80 are County residents. There has been a 30% growth in membership in the last year.
- The Club provides the only winter recreational activity for Madden and area residents.
- Through an operating agreement with the Madden and District Agricultural Society, the club usually pays 50% of the utilities for the facility when the curling plant is running.
- Due to COVID-19 (and guidance from Curling Canada), the club is unable to hold its annual fundraising bonspiel this year.
- The Ag Society has also been unable to rent the facility during the pandemic and is unable to subsidize the Curling Club operations at 50% this year. The Curling Club and Madden and District Agricultural Society have agreed that if the Club is able to operate for the 2020/2021 season, the Club would pay 75% of the utility operating expenses while the curling plant is running.
- The Club is concerned that they will not have enough funds to pay their portion of the operating expenses without depleting their bank account to dangerously low levels.
- The facility and lands are owned by the Madden and District Agricultural Society.

Application review:

- The requested funds from RVC equals 100% of the projected expenses.
- Anticipated annual operational costs are \$23,610.00, and the projected revenue (membership only) for 2020 is \$4,200.00.

- The request for \$5,900.00 in wages and \$300.00 in corkage are ineligible by Policy C-317.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Madden Curling Club's funding request be approved for up to \$17,410 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Division 9*

**7. Beaupre Community Association (BCA)**

Request:

\$6,500.00 to pay insurance and utilities for six months to bridge the COVID-19 gap.

Background:

- The Beaupre Community Assoc. (BCA) operates and maintains Beaupre Community Hall (BCH), which is a gathering place for the residents and an event site for the community at large. Of their current membership of 244, an estimated 98 (40%) are County residents. It is estimated that of the roughly 1500 guests, 300 are also County residents.
- The hall was originally built in the 1960s; it was rebuilt following a fire in 2001.
- The hall is available year-round for rentals and BCA events, with the primary interest from the arts sector.
- Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the BCA has experienced a negative impact to revenue.
- The facility and lands are owned by the BCA.

Application review:

- Anticipated annual operational costs are \$16,900.00, and the projected revenue (memberships, rentals, and donations) for 2021 is \$15,490.00.
- The requested funds from RVC equals 38% BCA's projected expenses.
- The requested support for utilities and insurance are both eligible by Policy C-317.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Beaupre Community Association's funding request be approved for up to \$6,500.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

**8. Mountain View Cowpoke Junior Rodeo Club (MVCJRC)**Request:

\$2,500.00 to pay for arena rental, medic costs, and timers.

Background:

- The Mountain View Cowpoke Junior Rodeo Club (MVCJRC) preserves western heritage and teaches integrity, sportsmanship, and rodeo family values to children aged 3 to 16.
- MVCJRC is the only rodeo club that operates over the winter in Southern Alberta.
- The 2019 membership was 74, but it is anticipated that there will be 100 members this year, with 80 of these youth being County residents.
- The group rents the Bearspaw Rodeo Center on the Stoney Nakoda Nation, as no other full sized rodeo arena is available in the County.

Application review:

- Anticipated annual operational costs are \$24,600.00, and the projected revenue (donations, memberships, grants, entry fees, and clinics), is \$26,500.00.
- The requested funds from RVC equals 10% of the club's projected expenses.
- MVCJRC has received a \$2,500 matching grant from the Town of Cochrane.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Mountain View Cowpoke Junior Rodeo Club's funding request be approved for up to \$2,500.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Adjacent Municipalities***9. Beiseker Minor Hockey Association (BMHA)**Request:

\$11,000.00 to provide each of the six teams with seven player skill training sessions, and pay for referees at home games.

Background:

- Beiseker Minor Hockey Association (BMHA) is a completely volunteer-run organization that provides a safe and enjoyable hockey atmosphere for our children aged 5 to 18.
- 80 (90%) of the 89 children who take part in BMHA programs are County residents. The decrease in registrations from last year is due to the fact that some players have decided not to play this year because of COVID 19, and more older players have aged out of the program than new young players have entered.

Application review:

- Anticipated annual operational costs are \$94,235.00, and the projected revenue (player fees and ice rental), is \$54,170.00, for a deficit of \$40,065.00.
- The requested funds from RVC equals 12% of the club's projected expenses.
- The group notes that over 60 hours a week are dedicated in volunteer time by the coaches, managers, treasurers and score keepers.
- No matching funds have been provided by the Village of Beiseker; BMHA does not anticipate support from the Village, as most of the players are County residents.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.

- As the application does not align with policy C-317, Administration recommends that the Beiseker Minor Hockey Association's funding request be declined.

## 10. Camp Chestermere Association (CCA)

### Request:

\$6,000.00 to assist with snow removal costs.

### Background:

- Camp Chestermere Association (CCA) is a faith-based, not-for-profit organization focused on building relationships, creating experiences, and developing people.
- During the months of July and August, they run day and overnight camps for children ages 5 to 18.
- Approximately 322 (47.4%) of the total 679 people who access the facility are County residents.
- The organization works with many local community groups and allows access to their facility during the school year.
- A wide range of community-focused events are also hosted by the organization, such as the Halloween Howler, Family Fun Fair, and Winter Wonderland.

### Application review:

- Anticipated annual operational costs are \$1,045,286.00, and the projected revenue (primarily program fees, rental revenue and grants), is \$1,036,815.00, for a deficit of \$8,471.00.
- Though the official funding request is for snow clearing (the camp's top priority), CCA has emphasized that any additional support to help cover insurance costs (\$44,000/year) and utilities costs (\$74,700/year) would be appreciated.
- The requested funds from RVC equals 1% of the camp's projected expenses.
- No matching operational funds have been provided by the City of Chestermere; matching funding has been received in 2020 for a bike program and for the HVAC update (also funded by RVC).
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- As matching funding has not been received from the City of Chestermere for this year's operational expenses, Administration recommends that the Camp Chestermere Association's funding request be declined.

## Community Capital Applications

### County Applications

#### *Division 3*

## 11. The K O Arts Centre Society of Calgary (KOAC)

### Request:

\$44,261.50 to build pathways, replace the deck on the main house, install a road culvert to alleviate spring runoff issues, install a new entrance gate and sign, build a rock bridge in wetland area, and install a safety rail on the pond.



Background:

- KOAC is a unique cultural centre that provides arts programs to the community and free public access to the 20-acre Sculpture Park. KOAC also provides six artist residencies a year for both emerging and established artists. Through their education programs, these artists are able to interact with young people in the community, diversifying the students' educational experience in powerful and meaningful ways.
- KOAC is now offering a sculpture park, botanic garden, and wetlands/woods sanctuary that is open to the public.
- 1,450 (39%) of the total 3,750 people accessing KOAC's school programs, on site programs, webinars, and guided tours are County residents. 900 of these participants were physically on site at KOAC.
- A parking lot located adjacent to the road provides space for visitors' vehicles.

Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$88,523.00.
- KOAC was unsuccessful in obtaining three quotes for each project component.
- 250 hours of volunteer time will be provided as matching funding, worth \$3,750.00.
- Even though the \$29,000.00 of matching funding sought through the UFA Rural Communities Foundation was unsuccessful, the applicant has the required 50% matching cash funding (\$40,466.50) to complete the project.
- Administration has concerns with the lack of public access to the proposed deck on what is still a private residence, and the installation of a gate that will further limit public access to the site.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Given the alignment with the desire for paved and non-paved trail systems in Springbank, as reflected in the *2020 Recreation Needs Assessment* findings, Administration recommends that The K O Arts Centre Society of Calgary's funding request be approved for up to \$33,106.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Division 4***12. Bow Valley Community Club (BVCC)**Request:

\$3,000.00 towards replacement of the cold brine pump.

Background:

- BVCC provides a facility for seniors, curlers, and hockey players, with a membership of approximately 390, 90 (23%) of whom are County residents. They host multiple events throughout the year and rent the facility to schools or for private functions.
- There has been an increase in memberships as the Chestermere curling rink is not operating this year, and BVCC is the only curling club in the eastern County.
- BVCC anticipates the generation of cash flow (if pandemic restrictions are lifted) through their annual bonspiel and food and drink sales.
- The organization holds a License of Occupation agreement with the County for use of these Municipal Reserve lands.

Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$6,107.85.
- BVCC has the matching funds required to complete this project.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Bow Valley Community Club's funding request be approved for up to \$3,000.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Division 5***13. Eastgate Saddle Club (ESC)**Request:

\$25,972.00 to purchase a tractor with a tiller and mower attachment; and to replace the 30 year old fencing around the front of the property.

Background:

- Eastgate Saddle Club maintains and operates on a municipal reserve located just southeast of Chestermere. There are no paid staff; the organization is volunteer-run.
- The group organizes gymkhanas, trail rides, horse shows, clinics, and other social events.
- 50% of the 102 users are County residents.
- The organization has an Operation and Maintenance Agreement with the County for use of these Municipal Reserve lands.

Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$51,944.00.
- The 2020 MR Inspection Report notes that the fence condition meets standard, but photographs provided by the club show wood rot.
- 59 volunteer hours will be contributed to the project for a value of \$885; in-kind contributions of \$400.00 will be made for fencing materials and the provision of a post-pounder.
- Matching has not yet been confirmed (there are insufficient funds in savings); donations for this project have been sought and CFEP grant application for \$10,000.00 was submitted. A UFA Rural Communities Foundation grant application for \$34,700 was unsuccessful.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Eastgate Saddle Club's funding request be declined as sufficient matching funds are not yet available.

*Division 7***14. Balzac Community Hall Association (BCHA)**Request:

\$3,190.50 to help refinish the hardwood floor and install new trim between the hardwood and carpet.

Background:

- Balzac Hall serves the residents of the Balzac area and RVC by offering a place to gather, host events, and offer programming. An estimated 9,000 (60%) County residents and 6,000 non-residents make use of the hall. BCHA gives back to the community by having low rental fees for community groups.
- The facility and lands are owned by the BCHA.

Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$6,381.25.
- BCHA has the required matching funds for the project.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Balzac Community Hall Association's funding request be approved for up to \$3,190.50 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Division 8***15. Bearspaw-Glendale Community Association (BGCA)**Request:

\$4,950.00 to assist with the emergency replacement of the water heater in the main building and the scheduled lifecycle replacement of the water heater in the portable at the Bearspaw Lifestyle Centre (BLC).

Background:

- BGCA operates and maintains the Bearspaw Lifestyle Centre, including a gymnasium, banquet hall, dance studio, meeting rooms, and outdoor rink for use by an estimated 4,000 to 5,000 County residents and 750 to 1,000 non-residents.
- The water heater for the main BLC building began leaking in the spring. With the facility closure due to the pandemic, and minimal staff on site, the water heater was shut off to avoid possible damage from a potential leak.
- The water heater had to be replaced prior to the facility reopening on August 4. As it was due for lifecycle replacement in the fall, the water heater in the portable was replaced at the same time to save costs.
- The facility sits on a municipal reserve parcel and has an existing license of occupation agreement with the County.

Application review:

- This is a retroactive emergency funding application. The repairs were made July 9 and 23, 2020; the facility would have remained closed as it could not operate safely had repairs not been made.

- The BGCA had intended to request the lifecycle project funds in the fall, but the replacement was needed immediately.
- BGCA has the required matching funds for the project.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Bearspaw-Glendale Community Association's funding request be approved for up to \$4,950.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

## 16. Bearspaw-Glendale Community Association (BGCA)

### Request:

\$70,709.50 to assist with the purchase and installation of gym and room partitions, kitchen renovations, and alarm system replacement and camera upgrade at the Bearspaw Lifestyle Centre (BLC).

### Background:

- BGCA operates and maintains the BLC, including a gymnasium, banquet hall, dance studio, meeting rooms, and outdoor rink for use by an estimated 4,000 to 5,000 (83%) County residents and 750 to 1,000 (17%) non-residents.
- The BLC facility serves Division 8, Cochrane, and NW Calgary, providing programs and community events for all ages.
- Gym and room partitions are BGCA's top priority as they will help maximize space use and revenues during prime time, allowing use of facilities by smaller groups or cohorts. The second priority is the alarm system and camera upgrade as it will allow better integration with the new door locking system. The cameras will enhance facility security. The third priority is the kitchen renovation, which will update the 1970s-style amenity, making it more attractive for rentals.
- The facility sits on a municipal reserve parcel and has an existing license of occupation agreement with the County.

### Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$141,019.00.
- BLC lifecycle study notes that kitchen cabinets and appliances will need replacement within 5 years; surveillance cameras should be replaced within 3 years; and alarms within 6 years.
- The installation of gym and room partitions will enhance the BGCA's ability to be self-sustaining and address pandemic restrictions.
- BGCA has the required matching funds for the project.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Bearspaw-Glendale Community Association's funding request be approved for up to \$70,709.50 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy.

*Division 9***17. Beaupre Community Association (BCA)**Request:

\$8,390.00 to help replace the Beaupre Community Hall roof.

Background:

- The BCA operates and maintains Beaupre Community Hall (BCH) as a gathering place for the residents and an event site for the community at large. Of their current membership of 244, an estimated 98 (40%) are County residents. It is estimated that of the roughly 1500 guests, 300 are also County residents.
- The hall was originally built in the 1960s; it was rebuilt following a fire in 2001.
- The hall is available year-round for rentals and BCA events, with the primary interest from the arts sector.
- The facility and lands are owned by the BCA.

Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$16,780.00.
- The BCH roof is 18 years old and at the end of its life; it must be replaced.
- Matching funds for the project are being sought through the January 2021 CFEP Application intake (July 2021 decision announcement). If unsuccessful, BCHA will concentrate on fundraising activities to raise the matching funds.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- Administration recommends that the Beaupre Community Assoc.'s funding request be approved for up to \$8,390.00 from the 2020 Recreational Tax Levy conditional upon confirmation of matching funds.

*Adjacent Municipalities***18. Cochrane Minor Baseball Association (CMBA)**Request:

\$3,000.00 to assist with purchase of a batting cage, portable pitching mound, and shed.

Background:

- Cochrane Minor Baseball (CMBA) offers baseball for children aged 4 to 16 of all skill levels, and a Challenger program for children with cognitive and physical disabilities.
- CMB rents diamond space from the Town of Cochrane.
- Of 656 participants, 63 (10%) are County residents.
- The organization has seen an average growth rate of 21% over the last 5 years.
- The grant request will allow the groups to use the diamonds for multiple age groups.

Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$12,688.49.
- The surplus that the organization has is dedicated towards operations during the pandemic.

- CMBA will be seeking matching funds from Community Facilities Enhancement Program (GOA), CIP Project Based Grants (GOA), Cochrane Foundation, BREC, Cochrane Community Grants, UFA Rural Communities Foundation.
- The application does not meet policy, as matching funds have not been provided by the Town of Cochrane.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- As matching funding has yet to be confirmed from the Town of Cochrane or any other sources for this project, Administration recommends that Cochrane Minor Baseball Association's funding request be declined.

#### **19. Extreme Cowboy Alberta Association (ECAA)**

##### Request:

\$7,614.00 to repair and improve Ranchlands Horse Park (in Cochrane), install media stands and a storage facility, and purchase a generator.

##### Background:

- ECAA is a not for profit club that promotes the sport of Extreme Cowboy Racing which is the "Family Cowboy Sport for all riding levels".
- Of their current membership of 133, 113 (85%) are county residents. It is estimated that of the roughly 300 county residents attend events as spectators. Participant numbers have decreased due to the pandemic. Membership ages range from 7 to 70 years.
- ECA events are held primarily at the Cochrane and District Agricultural Society (CDAS) indoor arena and the outdoor arena at Ranchlands Horse Park (located on leased County lands in Cochrane).
- Ranchlands Horse Park has been recognized as one of the world's top two or three outdoor Extreme Cowboy Racing racecourses.
- The CDAS lands are currently under lease from the County, but title is in the process of being transferred to the CDAS.

##### Application review:

- The total cost of this project is \$30,456.00.
- ECAA will be seeking matching funds from Alberta Equestrian Federation, the Community Facility Enhancement Program, and the Town of Cochrane.
- Due to limited available cash funds, ECAA is depending upon pending grant requests to fund 75% of this project.
- The application does not meet policy, as matching funds have not been provided by the Town of Cochrane.
- The application meets all other requirements of Policy C-317.
- As the Town of Cochrane has not provided matching funds, Administration recommends that Extreme Cowboy Alberta Association's funding request be declined.

**2020 Recreation Community Capital and Operational  
Funding Allocation for Consideration**

Total Fall 2020 Community Recreation Funding Available for Operational and Capital grants: **\$245,258.00**

<b>Electoral Division</b>	<b>2020 Operating and Capital Grants Applicant Organization</b>	<b>2020 Funds Recommended</b>
<b>2</b>	Springbank Equestrian Society	\$2,930.00
<b>2</b>	Springbank Heritage Club	\$28,300.00
<b>4</b>	Bow Valley Community Club	\$36,750.00
<b>4</b>	Langdon Theatre Association	\$6,250.00
<b>7</b>	The Barbados Canadian Association of Calgary	\$0.00
<b>7</b>	Madden Curling Club	\$17,410.00
<b>9</b>	Beaupre Community Hall	\$6,500.00
<b>9</b>	Mountain View Cowpoke Junior Rodeo Club	\$2,500.00
<b>Beiseker</b>	Beiseker Minor Hockey	\$0
<b>Chestermere</b>	Camp Chestermere	\$0
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL Recommended</b>		<b>\$100,640.00</b>
<b>2</b>	KOAC	\$33,106.00
<b>4</b>	Bow Valley Community Club	\$3,000.00
<b>5</b>	Eastgate Saddle Club	\$0
<b>7</b>	Balzac Community Hall Association	\$3,190.50
<b>8</b>	Bearspaw Glendale Community Association (Emergency)	\$4,950.00
<b>8</b>	Bearspaw Glendale Community Association	\$70,709.50
<b>9</b>	Beaupre Community Hall	\$8,390.00
<b>Cochrane</b>	Cochrane Minor Baseball	\$0
<b>Cochrane</b>	Extreme Cowboy Alberta Association	\$0
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL Recommended</b>		<b>\$123,346.00</b>

<b>TOTAL FUNDS RECOMMENDED FOR FALL 2020</b>	<b>\$223,986.00</b>
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<b>UNALLOCATED 2020 RECREATION LEVY FUNDS</b> (Should the recommended fund allocations be approved)	<b>\$21,272.00</b>
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