

RDN Board Approves Recreation Grants in Support of Local Organizations

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) Board approved grants for organizations at the June 25, 2024, board meeting. The value of the grants awarded for the spring 2024 intake totals \$39,650 and will be used for a variety of recreation-focused projects. Recreation grants provide funds to organizations requesting financial assistance to offer recreation programs, special events or projects which benefit specific communities or the whole Oceanside area.

There are two categories in the recreation stream: youth specific (11-18 years) and community (all ages). The funding was awarded as follows:

- \$14,210 in Oceanside Recreation Services Youth Grants awarded to nine organizations
- \$25,440 in Oceanside Recreation Services Community Grants awarded to 16 organizations

Please refer to the following page for details on amounts awarded to the recipient organizations. For grant application forms and general grant information, visit rdn.bc.ca/grants.


The next RDN grant application deadlines are

- Oceanside Community Safety Grants: August 30, 2024
- Electoral Area A Recreation and Culture Grants: September 27, 2024
- Oceanside Recreation Services Grants: September 6, 2024
- Community Grants: April 25, 2025

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Spring 2024 Oceanside Recreation Services Youth Grant Recipients

- 893 Beaufort Squadron Air Cadets for flying/gliding training equipment \$1,500
- Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association for gym rental \$2,310
- Ballenas Secondary School – Grad Committee for Dry Prom facility rental \$1,500
- Errington War Memorial Hall Association for facility rental, advertising/promotion \$1,400
- Girl Guides of Canada for bus rental to Bamfield Marine Centre \$1,000
- Oceanside Track and Field for throwing equipment \$1,500
- Oceanside Volleyball Club for jerseys, equipment and gym rental \$2,000
- Ravensong Aquatic Club for Ravensong Aquatic Centre rental fees \$1,500
- Whalers Football Support Society for helmets, shoulder pads and first aid equipment \$1,500

Total Awarded: \$14,210

Spring 2024 Oceanside Recreation Services Community Grant Recipients

- Arrowsmith Agricultural Association for Coombs Fair Kids Club rental and supplies \$1,810
- Arrowsmith Agricultural Association for Coombs Family Day food and activity supplies \$1,500
- Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association for Coombs Halloween Candy Walk \$1,500
- BC Cultural Days 2024 – Planning & Funding Committee for the 2024 Celebration \$2,000
- Bowser Tennis Club for root barrier construction \$2,000
- Coombs History Committee for family history digitization \$900
- Forward House Community Society for offsite recreation activities \$1,500
- MAC School for the Creative Arts for Creative Kids art supplies, tent and promotion \$1,500
- Mid-Island Pensioners & Hobbyist Assoc. (Bradley Centre) for kitchen rental and supplies \$1,500
- Oceanside Community Makerspace Society for leather tools \$1,500
- Parksville Indoor Slow-Pitch League for a defibrillator \$1,100
- Parksville & District Musical Association for marketing materials \$1,500
- Silver Spur Riding Club for rental of Coombs Fairgrounds \$1,500
- Sources Community Resource Centres – Family Wellness & Youth Connections for food, supplies and mileage \$1,500
- Ravensong Masters Swim Club for Ravensong Aquatic Centre rental fees \$1,500
- The Friends of Earth Inclusion Society for Project Sunflower seeds \$1,000
- Tri-Athletics Society – Qualicum Beach Triathlon for Ravensong Aquatic Centre rental fees \$1,200
- Town of Qualicum Beach – Qualicum Beach Family Day Ravensong Facility Rental \$430

Total Awarded: \$25,440

