

RDN Board Approves Grants in Support of Local Organizations

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) Board approved grants for 20 organizations across the northern part of our region at the December 9, 2025, board meeting. The value of the grants awarded totals \$37,010 and will be used for a variety of community and recreation-focused projects.

The grants were awarded through two programs: Oceanside Recreation Services Youth Grants (11 – 18 years) and Oceanside Recreation Services Community Grants (all ages). Recreation grants support recreation programs, special events or projects which benefit specific communities in the Oceanside area. The funding was allocated as follows:

Fall 2025 Oceanside Recreation Services Youth Grant Recipients

• Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association - Youth Basketball tournament for honorariums, staffing, food, sports equipment and games	\$979
• Oceanside Volleyball Club - Expansion of OVC Eagles - jerseys, honorariums, sports equipment and first aid supplies	\$2,000
• Parksville Qualicum 4H - Senior District Council - medals, trophies, ribbons, plaques and rosettes	\$1,500
• The Old School House Arts Centre - Teen Art Making Drop-Ins - Honorarium, program supplies, food, promotions	\$2,500
• Whalers Football Support Society - Helmet and Jersey Replacement - jerseys and helmets	\$1,270
Total Awarded	\$8,249

Fall 2025 Oceanside Recreation Services Community Grant Recipients

• Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association - Adult Floor Hockey - honorarium, advertising	\$1,008
• Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association - Coombs Community Picnic - first aid costs, concession items and musical entertainment	\$725
• Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association - Preschool Dance in Meadowood - facilitator fees, Bluetooth speaker, advertising	\$1,880
• Bowser Tennis Club - Tennis Court Upgrade - electrical wiring, mounting pole, cable, supplies	\$820
• Christian Fellowship Centre - CFC Community Garden (CFCCG) - posts, lumber, roof materials, building materials, bark mulch	\$2,500
• Errington Elementary School PAC - Gaga Ball Pit - brackets, hardware and lumber	\$1,810.56
• Errington Preschool Parents Society - Physical Education Field Trips - admission fees for arena and pool trips	\$600
• Errington War Memorial Hall Association - Up with Music - instructor fees	\$1,270

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Fall 2025 Oceanside Recreation Services Community Grant Recipients


• Forward House Community Society - Forward House Gets Moving! - activity trip costs	\$1,852
• Island Crisis Care Society - Creative Horizons - craft Supplies and program snacks	\$2,500
• MAC School for the Creative Arts (OCAC) - Creative Arts Kids Program - materials and art supplies	\$1,270
• Mid-Island Pensioners & Hobbyist Association - Printmakers Plus+ - equipment and infrastructure, tools, consumables and materials	\$2,500
• Nanoose Bay Activities and Recreation Society - Parent and Child Drop-in - equipment, arts and crafts, food	\$825
• Oceanside Football Club - First Aid/AED Safety AED	\$1,030.44
• Oceanside Music Association - 60th Anniversary Events - sound system, honorarium, music purchases	\$1,270
• Parksville & District and Historical Society - Halloween at the Museum - candy, advertising, musicians, lights, staffing	\$1,900
• Ravensong Aquatic Club - 2 Upgraded Platforms - diving blocks and equipment	\$2,500
• Sandy Shores - Learn to Skate - program supplies and coaching fees	\$2,500
Total Awarded	\$28,761

For further information and grant application forms, visit rdn.bc.ca/grants. The next application deadline is April 3, 2026, for recreation grants.

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