



## REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council  
FROM: General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services  
SUBJECT: 2021 Community Services and Other Social Grants

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Council approve 107 Direct Social Services Grants totalling \$4,024,624, including recommended conditions on the grants, to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix A-1 in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix A-1. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget.
- B. THAT Council approve 23 Organizational & Other Capacity Building Grants totalling \$770,853, including recommended conditions on the grants, to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix B-1 in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix B-1. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget.
- C. THAT Council approve 11 Neighbourhood Organization Grants totalling \$1,062,511 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix C in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix C. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget.
- D. THAT Council approve 13 Indigenous Healing and Wellness Grants totalling \$220,000 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix D-1 in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix D-1. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget.
- E. THAT Council approve 13 Sustainable Food Systems grants totalling \$201,425 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix E in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix E. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget.

- F. THAT Council approve 3 Rent Subsidy Grants totalling \$94,400 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix F in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix F. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget.
- G. THAT Council approve 1 grant totalling \$150,000 to Eastside Movement for Business and Economic Renewal Society (EMBERS) to operate a low barrier employment and income generation hub in the Downtown Eastside. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget.
- H. THAT Council approve 6 Hastings Legacy Fund grants totalling \$90,000 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix G in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix G. Source of funding: Hastings Social Responsibility Reserve.
- I. THAT Council authorize 44 Childcare Enhancement Grants totalling \$995,572, including recommended conditions on the grants, to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix H-1 in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 3 of Appendix H-1. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget - Childcare.
- J. THAT Council approve 2 Childcare Administration Grants totalling \$376,000 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix I in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix I. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget - Childcare.
- K. THAT Council approve 1 Neighbourhood Access Grant (NAG) totalling \$60,000 to the YMCA of Greater Vancouver to guarantee that a minimum of 24 of the total 74 licensed spaces at the new Gastown Parkades Childcare Centres be accessible at no cost to families receiving the full BC Affordable Childcare Benefit (ACB). Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget - Childcare.
- L. THAT Council approve 1 grant of \$150,000 to Streethome Foundation for 2021. Source of funding is the 2021 ACCS Operating Budget.
- M. THAT Council approve 2 COVID Recovery grants totalling \$55,000 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix J in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix J. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget.
- N. THAT Council approve 3 School Food Program grants totalling \$474,280 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix K in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix K. Source of funding is the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget.
- O. THAT Council approve 7 Greenest City Grants totalling \$276,065 to the Agencies listed in Column 1 of Appendix L-1 in the amounts recommended for each Agency in Column 2 of Appendix L-1. Source of funding is the 2021 Other Grants - Greenest City Grants Budget.

- P. THAT, pursuant to Section 206(1)(j) of the Vancouver Charter, Council deems any organization that is listed in Appendices A to J or named in Recommendations G, L and O that is not a registered charity with the Canada Revenue Agency to be an organization contributing to the health or welfare of the City.
- Q. THAT Council authorize the General Manager, Arts, Culture and Community Services to negotiate and execute agreements to disperse the grants described in Recommendations A to O on the terms and conditions set out herein or such other terms and conditions as are satisfactory to the General Manager, Arts, Culture and Community Services and the Director of Legal Services.
- R. THAT Council authorize the General Manager, Arts, Culture and Community Services and the Director of Legal Services to include the following conditions in any grant agreements with the Agencies mentioned in Recommendations A-E, H-J, N:
- each Agency must use its grant for the benefit of the same members of the community that the original grant conditions required (the “Target Community”), but each Agency may use its grant for the additional purposes of:
    - supporting its Target Community in mitigating or preventing the transmission of SARS-COV-2 or in assisting any member of the Target Community who contracts COVID-19 (the “Repurpose”); and
    - protecting the health of its employees and volunteers as they carry out the work of their Agency.
- S. THAT no legal rights or obligations will arise or be created by Council's adoption of Recommendations A through O unless and until all legal documentation has been executed and delivered by the respective parties.

Recommendations A through R require 2/3 affirmative votes of all Council members per Section 206(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*.

## **INTRODUCTION**

This report provides recommendations to further the City's social, ecological and economic sustainability objectives through a collection of granting streams used to support community-generated initiatives.

## **REPORT SUMMARY**

Staff received 299 grant requests for a combined total of \$12,441,706. The combined 2021 Social Policy grants budget is \$10,155,099. This report recommends approval of a total of 237 grants totaling \$9,000,730 (Table 1) with the remaining \$1,188,338 grants budget coming to Council as recommended grants later in 2021.

Social Policy Grants further Healthy City Strategy goals by providing operating and capital funding to non-profit organizations to:

- Help ensure equitable access to services and supports;
- Enhance the ability of community organizations to successfully address social issues and bring about positive social change;
- Maintain and strengthen linkages/integration between community services and programs, City social policies and priorities; and
- Facilitate licensed childcare services that promote children’s wellbeing and labour market access for parents.

Greenest City Grants further Healthy City Strategy goals by supporting non-profit organizations to work with communities to reduce Vancouver’s carbon footprint while enhancing the health and resilience of residents and our natural environment.

The 237 grants recommended in this report encompass a broad range of programs and activities, and reflect one or more of the City’s sustainability goals, including the Healthy City Strategy and Greenest City. The goals/objectives supported by the grants include, but are not limited to:

- supporting City of Reconciliation objectives, including access to culture, healing and wellness;
- reducing poverty;
- actions to address systemic inequity;
- reducing social isolation and increasing safety;
- the provision of high quality, licensed childcare and supports to families;
- homelessness prevention initiatives as well as development of new supportive housing for people who are homeless and at risk of homelessness;
- sustainable food systems; and,
- community-based efforts in pursuit of Greenest City goals.

*Table 1: Summary of Grant Recommendations in this Report*

<b>GRANT STREAM</b>	<b>GRANT PROGRAM</b>	<b>NO. of GRANTS</b>	<b>TOTAL \$\$ RECOMMENDED</b>	<b>TOTAL \$\$ REQUESTED</b>	<b>APPENDIX</b>
Community Services	Direct Social Services	107	\$4,024,624	\$5,940,403	A-1
	Organizational & Other Capacity Building	23	\$770,853	\$1,077,475	B-1
	Neighbourhood Organization	11	\$1,062,511	\$1,062,511	C
	Indigenous Healing & Wellness	13	\$220,000	\$259,000	D-1
	Sustainable Food Systems	13	\$201,425	\$201,425	E
	Rent Subsidy	3	\$94,400	\$94,400	F

GRANT STREAM	GRANT PROGRAM	NO. of GRANTS	TOTAL \$\$ RECOMMENDED	TOTAL \$\$ REQUESTED	APPENDIX
	Eastside Movement for Business and Economic Renewal Society (EMBERS)	1	\$150,000	\$150,000	N/A
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>171</b>	<b>\$6,523,813</b>	<b>\$8,785,214</b>	
Childcare	Childcare Enhancement	44	\$995,572	\$995,572	H-1
	Childcare Administration	2	\$376,000	\$376,000	I
	Neighbourhood Access Grant	1	\$ 60,000	\$60,000	N/A
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>47</b>	<b>\$1,431,572</b>	<b>\$1,431,572</b>	
Hastings Legacy Fund	Hastings Legacy Fund	6	\$90,000	\$90,000	G
Streetohome	Streetohome Foundation	1	\$150,000	\$150,000	N/A
COVID Recovery Grants	COVID Recovery Grants	2	\$55,000	\$55,000	J
School Food Grants	School Food Program	3	\$474,280	\$474,280	K
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>12</b>	<b>\$769,280</b>	<b>\$769,280</b>	
Greenest City Grants	Greenest City	7	\$ 276,065	\$1,455,640	L-1
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>\$276,065</b>	<b>\$1,455,640</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>237</b>	<b>\$9,000,730</b>	<b>\$12,441,706</b>	

### **Recommended New and Increased Social Policy Grant Funding to Support Key City Priorities**

Funding increases for key City priorities were supported through the increase to the 2021 Social Policy Grants Operating budget and by changes in allocations to several previous year's grants. This reallocation also included 15% cuts to some grants to organizations with operating budgets over \$20M.

*Table 2: Summary of New and/or Significant Social Policy Grant Increases*  
(NOTE: these grants are included in Table 1 totals)

KEY CITY PRIORITY	NEW OR INCREASED PROGRAM FUNDING	AMOUNT
<b>(a) City of Reconciliation</b>	Increased funding to programs serving Indigenous people, including a significant increase to the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council to continue to continue to plan for programs and services for the urban Indigenous community.	<b>\$126,144</b>

KEY CITY PRIORITY	NEW OR INCREASED PROGRAM FUNDING	AMOUNT
<b>(b) People with Disabilities</b>	New and increased funding to programs that build the capacity and connectivity that support collective efforts towards the advancement of accessibility and inclusion for persons with disabilities in Vancouver.	<b>\$75,000</b>
<b>(c) Equity and Inclusion</b>	New and increased funding to programs that build the capacity of the non-profit sector to enhance equity, inclusion and de-colonialization in their work.	<b>\$70,000</b>
<b>(d) Support to Women and Families</b>	New and increased funding to programs that support mothers living in poverty and women experiencing gender based violence.	<b>\$54,730</b>
<b>(e) Support for Youth and People Experiencing Homelessness</b>	Increased funding to support youth exiting the foster care system and outreach to primarily francophone people experiencing homelessness.	<b>\$27,874</b>
<b>FUNDING INCREASE IN KEY PRIORITY AREAS</b>		<b>\$353,748</b>

### ***COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS***

**COVID Recovery Grants:** On November 3, 2020, Council approved 25 one-time COVID Recovery grants totaling \$612,360 to support work that helps populations who are experiencing the most severe effects of the pandemic, including the unintended consequences of public health measures.

**COVID Rapid Response Grants for Child and Family Programs:** On July 21, 2020, Council approved 10 time-sensitive Rapid Response Grants for Child and Family Programs, totaling \$361,000 to expand and support child and family programs whose total summer capacity was been greatly reduced by COVID health and safety protocols.

**Implementation of Recommendations from the National Inquiry Into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls:** On September 4, 2019, Council approved submission of a late resolution to the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) calling on all municipalities to bring the recommendations (Calls for Justice) from the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls back to their respective councils for review and consideration of endorsement.

**School Food Motion:** On February 26, 2019, City Council approved by a 2/3 vote a motion to provide a grant of an additional \$32,000 to Vancouver School Board (VSB) for school meal programs until June 2019, and to reinstate the grant of \$128,000 for Fall 2019 (September to December 2019). On March 12, 2019, City Council approved a \$160,000 grant to VSB for school meal programs, for a total of \$320,000 for 2019.

**Indigenous Healing and Wellness Grants:** In July 2017, Council adopted the Aboriginal Health, Healing and Wellness in the DTES Study and approved the creation of the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Grants initiative.

**Low-barrier income generating hub (Eastside Works):** In April 2017 Council appointed the non-profit Eastside Movement for Business and Economic Renewal Society (EMBERS) to occupy and operate a City property located at 57 A and 57 B East Hastings Street, known as Eastside Works (formerly, “The Lux”), as a low barrier employment and income generating hub in the Downtown Eastside. Council also approved a \$150,000 operating grant and a \$50,000 rent subsidy grant.

**Streetohome Foundation:** On March 28, 2017, Council approved in principle the Housing Vancouver Emerging Directions. At the end of 2017, the final Vancouver Housing Strategy and Three-Year Action Plan were adopted by City Council. On July 28, 2011, Council endorsed the Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2012-2021, which includes three strategic directions: 1) Increase the supply of affordable housing; 2) Encourage a housing mix across all neighbourhoods that enhances quality of life; and, 3) Provide strong leadership and support partners to enhance housing stability.

**Expanding Access To Healthy Foods For School-Aged Children:** In December 2014, Council unanimously adopted a motion asking City staff to identify \$400,000 in the operating budget to expand access to healthy foods for school-aged children. These funds enabled meal programs through the Vancouver School Board and through the Strathcona Community Centre Association between 2015 and 2018.

**City of Reconciliation:** On July 8, 2014 Council adopted the framework which has three foundational components that further strengthen our services and ongoing relationships with the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations, and the urban Indigenous community: Cultural competency, Strengthening relations, and, Effective decision-making. On January 19, 2016, Council approved the City’s review of the Truth and Reconciliation “Calls to Action” report, which identified 27 of the 94 calls where the City has the jurisdiction and ability to implement action. City actions are aligned under 3 themes: Healthy Communities and Wellness; Achieving Indigenous Human Rights and Recognition; and Advancing Awareness, Knowledge, and Capacity.

**Healthy City Strategy:** On October 29, 2014, Council approved goals, targets and indicators of the Healthy City Strategy 2014-2025 Phase I. On July 8, 2015 Council approved the first four-year action plan for the Healthy City Strategy.

**Greenest City Grants:** Adopted in 2012 and revised in 2020, the Greenest City Grant program offers grants for place-based, community-driven initiatives that help to advance sustainability, the City of Vancouver’s Climate Emergency Action Plan, and equity in our city. The grants support projects that foster sustainability leadership and collaboration, create opportunities for innovation, and mobilize community to take collective action on climate throughout Vancouver with a specific focus on addressing inequity. Council also authorized the City to enter into an agreement with the Vancouver Foundation to govern the administration of the Greenest City Neighbourhood Small Grant program from 2017-2020 and again from 2021-2025.

**Vancouver Food Strategy:** In January 2013, Council adopted the Vancouver Food Strategy with goals to: Improve access to healthy, affordable, and culturally diverse food for all residents; Advocate for a just and sustainable food system with partners and at all levels of government; and, Support food-friendly neighbourhoods.

**Neighbourhood Access Grant (NAG):** On October 30, 2012 (RTS 9763) Council approved the creation of an annual Neighbourhood Access Grant (NAG) to the YMCA of Greater Vancouver, with funding for the NAG to be allocated during the annual budgeting process for social policy child care operating grants.

**Preventing Sexual Exploitation and Protecting Vulnerable Adults & Neighbourhoods Affected by Sex Work: A Comprehensive Approach and Action Plan:** In September 2011 Council endorsed the framework and actions contained in the report, which include a call for adequate resources to assist individuals to exit sex work.

**Sustainable Food Systems Grants:** On April 7, 2009, Council approved the establishment of the Greenest City Neighbourhood grants. Council increased the funding in July 2013 and changed the name to Sustainable Food Systems Grants.

**Hastings Legacy Fund Grants:** In October 2005, as part of the rezoning conditions for Hastings Park, Council accepted a number of public benefits from Hastings Entertainment Inc. including establishment of a reserve fund to support the Hastings Legacy Fund grants program.

**Rent Subsidy Grants:** On June 8, 1993, Council decided that rent subsidies to social service or cultural organizations occupying City-owned property held in the Property Endowment Fund, will be funded from the Community Services or Cultural Grants budget, and that these budgets will be adjusted to accommodate any new or renewed subsidies approved by Council.

**Childcare Enhancement, Childcare Administration, Childcare Infant/Toddler Grants:** On October 23, 1990, as part of the 1990 Civic Child Care Strategy, Council established the annual Civic Child Care Grants Program. In May 1991 Council approved the creation of the Childcare Endowment Reserve (now referred to as the Childcare Reserve) and on December 15, 1994, Council approved the Reserve's terms and conditions, including eligibility criteria.

**Community Services (CS) Grants:** On March 7, 1978, City Council established the Community Services Grants program. On October 9, 2003, City Council approved revisions to the Community Services Grants program, including the creation of three funding streams: Neighbourhood Organizations, Direct Social Services, and Organizational Capacity Building.

### ***CITY MANAGER'S/GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS***

The City Manager supports the recommendations in this report. Collectively, Social Policy, Housing and Greenest City grants provide opportunities to thousands of Vancouver residents to more fully participate in daily life and connect to community. They promote social sustainability, equity and inclusion, City of Reconciliation and Truth and Reconciliation commitments, supporting a strong economy through childcare and access to employment, addressing homelessness through prevention and supporting ecological and human health in the context of a climate crisis through the City's partnerships with Vancouver's not for profit sector.



## REPORT

### Background/Context

The provision of grants to non-profit partners is an important tool to further the City's social, economic and ecological sustainability objectives and key policies that include the Healthy City Strategy and Greenest City strategies.

The vast majority of funding in this report is recommended for Social grants. Although considered among the most liveable cities in the world, Vancouver is a city in which many residents face acute and persistent inequities across the social determinants of health. These inequities mean that there is a high baseline need for investments in social programs and services, and the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic have exacerbated these issues. Across the city, some key data points include:

- **High early childhood vulnerability:** 35% of children enter kindergarten with physical, social, emotional, communication or language vulnerabilities that impact their readiness for school.<sup>1</sup> During the pandemic, 58% of Vancouverites with children reported increased child stress, 77% reported loss of children's connection with their friends and 94% reported increased child screen time.<sup>2</sup>
- **Gaps in access to basic needs:** Basic needs such as food, childcare and housing are out of reach for many in Vancouver. 20% of households in Vancouver are classified as in core housing need.<sup>3</sup> During the pandemic, 15% of Vancouverites were concerned about food insecurity, 7% reported housing insecurity and 46% anticipated future financial stress.<sup>4</sup>
- **High rates of poverty:** 20% of Vancouver residents live below Canada's national poverty line,<sup>5</sup> and about 40% of Vancouverites have total family incomes below the equivalent of a living wage.<sup>6</sup> In May 2020, 34% of Vancouverites reported financial stress and 18% were not working due to the pandemic.<sup>7</sup>
- **Gaps in community resilience:** Only 54% of adults in Vancouver feel a strong sense of belonging, and only 50% of adults have four or more people in their support network to turn to for help.<sup>8</sup> During the pandemic, 41% of Vancouverites reported weak community belonging and 60% reported a loss of connections with friends.<sup>9</sup>
- **Overdose crisis - an ongoing public health emergency:** Vancouver continues to be at the epicenter of the overdose crisis, with nearly 1,700 reported overdose deaths in the city since April 2016. Indigenous residents have been overrepresented in the crisis, with Indigenous women especially impacted by high overdose rates.<sup>10</sup> Overdose deaths have worsened as COVID-19 has put our city in dual public health emergencies, and 2020

<sup>1</sup> UBC Human Early Learning Partnership, Early Development Instrument, 2017-2019 survey wave.

<sup>2</sup> BC Centre for Disease Control, SPEAK Survey, May 2020.

<sup>3</sup> Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population. A household is said to be in 'core housing need' if its housing falls below at least one of the adequacy, affordability or suitability standards and it would have to spend 30% or more of its total before-tax income to pay the median rent of alternative local housing that is acceptable.

<sup>4</sup> BC Centre for Disease Control, SPEAK Survey, May 2020.

<sup>5</sup> Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population, custom tabulation based on market basket measure accessed through Community Data Program, Canadian Council on Social Development.

<sup>6</sup> Statistics Canada, 2018 T1 Family File, accessed through Community Data Program. Calculation based on Living Wage for Families Campaign, with adjustments for family type and size.

<sup>7</sup> BC Centre for Disease Control, SPEAK Survey, May 2020.

<sup>8</sup> Vancouver Coastal Health/Fraser Health, My Health My Community Survey 2013/2014.

<sup>9</sup> BC Centre for Disease Control, SPEAK Survey, May 2020.

<sup>10</sup> BC Coroner data current up to December 2020, Internal data from VPD and VFRS.

was a record year for overdose deaths, with 408 deaths reported by the BC Coroners Service.<sup>11</sup>

- **Gaps in access to services:** About one in four residents report not having access to health, community and social services when they need them.<sup>12</sup> During the pandemic, 36% of Vancouverites avoided accessing healthcare services and 22% reported difficulty accessing health care.<sup>13</sup>
- **Challenges in mental health:** The percentage of Vancouverites who rate their mental health as excellent or very good is lower than the Metro Vancouver average (52% vs 57%).<sup>14</sup> During the pandemic, 49% of Vancouverites reported worsening mental health and 18% reported being highly stressed.<sup>15</sup>

These factors profoundly impact people's mental, physical and emotional health and well-being, and there are intersecting social and spatial inequities in how these social determinants of health are realized across the city.

Vancouver's population is also known for its social, economic, cultural and linguistic diversity:<sup>16</sup>

- Vancouver is home to a young and diverse urban Indigenous population, with more than 15 thousand residents having an Indigenous identity.
- More than half of Vancouver residents are identified as members of a racialized group;<sup>17</sup>
- 44% of Vancouver residents have a first language other than English.
- 47% of Vancouver residents were born outside of Canada.
- 53% of Vancouver households are renters.
- 29% of families with children in Vancouver are led by a lone parent.
- 15% of Vancouver residents are age 65 and over, with this group making up more than half of net population growth from 2011 to 2016.

These diverse populations have also faced disproportionate social, economic and health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, as pre-existing inequities have been exacerbated. Our most essential services such as grocery and retail, childcare and long term care depend on the work of lower-income, racialized and immigrant workers who have had to continue travelling to work places throughout every stage of the pandemic while others have worked at home. People more likely to experience severe illness from COVID-19, such as seniors, people with disabilities and people with chronic health conditions, have had significant challenges accessing basic needs, support services and community connections safely. In addition, incidents of racism and other forms of violence have increased during COVID-19 with some specific racialized groups being targeted and blamed for the pandemic itself. Everyone has been impacted by COVID-19, but not equally, and addressing the disproportionate impacts require disproportionate investments in direct services while also making efforts toward more systemic policy change to address the social determinants of health for all.<sup>18</sup>

Social Grants are a tool to help address inequities. The grants fund programs and services that support progress toward Vancouver's definition of social sustainability, which includes meeting

<sup>11</sup> BC Coroners Service, Statistical Reports on Deaths in British Columbia, February 2021.

<sup>12</sup> City of Vancouver, Access to Services Survey conducted in 2017.

<sup>13</sup> BC Centre for Disease Control, SPEAK Survey, May 2020.

<sup>14</sup> Vancouver Coastal Health/Fraser Health, My Health My Community Survey 2013/2014.

<sup>15</sup> BC Centre for Disease Control, SPEAK Survey, May 2020.

<sup>16</sup> Figures in this section from Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population.

<sup>17</sup> "Racialized" includes visible minorities, as defined by Stats Canada, and Indigenous groups.

<sup>18</sup> City of Vancouver, Social Policy: People Disproportionately Impacted Report, Fall 2020.

people's basic needs, building capacity among diverse individuals and communities, and considering the social needs of future generations. City grants provide core funding to programs that work toward a more sustainable city by: providing direct services to people in need; providing resources for people in inequitably treated groups; and, by enabling upstream, systems-changing work to address social inequities.

The policy framework and principles for the City's Social Policy Grants can be viewed in Appendix M.

### *The Non-Profit Social Service Sector in the Age of COVID*

The non-profit sector has been, and continues to be, a first line of response during the pandemic, and has played a vital role mobilizing volunteers and adapting services to meet community needs. Indeed, all three levels of government continue to rely on the on-the-ground knowledge and expertise of this sector to create networks of support for populations disproportionately impacted by COVID and the implementation of related public health measures.

While this sector has been resilient during the pandemic, and has been an important voice in the movement for racial justice, the economic distress caused by the pandemic has exposed several vulnerabilities caused by a lack of sustainable operating funding sources, significant workforce inequities, space affordability and access challenges. COVID 19 has directly resulted in:

- Increased pandemic-related costs;
- Depleted financial reserves and decreased earned revenue;
- Infrastructure and capacity challenges due to service disruptions, shifting scope, changing delivery methods to virtual formats, and
- High levels of staff burnout, lay-offs and loss of volunteers.<sup>19</sup>

Despite these multiple challenges, non-profit organizations have demonstrated incredible adaptive capacity and resilience. This year's Community Service Grant applications highlighted organizations that quickly pivoted to respond to immediate needs. Organizations mobilized resources when needed, adopted new technologies, shifted approaches to service delivery and addressed isolation to promote community connectedness.

Interventions and programs run by social services have contributed to meeting the basic needs of those whose intersecting experiences cause disproportionate impacts from COVID - from addressing threats to food security and fears of increased domestic violence, to continuing to provide a social safety net to Vancouver residents amidst increased stress, mental health strain, isolation, and overall service demand.

The City's early response to the sector enabled organizations to re-purpose their core funding to address the pandemic response. As early as March 18, 2020 (RTS 13786), Council approved accelerated disbursements of already-approved Social grant funding and allowed organizations to use their City grants to help mitigate the impacts of the virus, or help prevent its transmission within the population and communities that these organizations served. The 2021 Community Services Grant process included a full report back of COVID-related activities supported by 2020 funding. It was clear that organizations quickly and successfully used City funding to continue their work in new, COVID-context appropriate ways. The pandemic is still in its second

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<sup>19</sup> City of Vancouver, Social Policy: Vancouver's Not For Profit Sector Current State Analysis, Summer 2020.

wave and there is the possibility of a third, Recommendation R seeks to extend this flexibility in program spending through 2021.

Through the summer and fall of 2020 Social Policy continued to respond with funding to support those most disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. In July Council approved \$361,000 in Rapid Response Grants to support Urban Indigenous and community based child and family programs to support expanded summer programming to help ensure that children were supported while out of school (RTS 13594). In addition, in November, Council approved \$165,227 in COVID Recovery Grants to childcares to help them adapt to public health measures and continue to provide vital services (RTS 14032). Also approved in the November report was \$612,360 in COVID Recovery Grants to support populations who are experiencing the most severe effects of the pandemic.

Going forward, staff will continue to look for ways to improve Social Policy's responsive granting program that addresses the community's key and evolving concerns. This includes the evolution toward a more equitable program, streamlining the application process through an online grants management system, and the introduction of multi-year funding.

#### *Leveraging Funding from Other (non-City) Sources*

Community Services Grants (CSG) typically provide core funding to support key staff, program and leadership positions. While on average a Community Services Grant represents 17% of the total revenue for the program being funded, a City grant can often play a significant role in helping organizations leverage additional funding from the provincial and/or federal governments, foundations and corporations and/or private donations. On average, the City's investment is multiplied by an approximately 4 to 1 ratio, i.e., with \$4 leveraged for every \$1 invested by the City.

#### *Grant Application and Review Process*

Regularly updated information on the City's social grants is listed on the City's website at <https://vancouver.ca/people-programs/community-grants.aspx>. In addition, current grantees receive email notification approximately one month in advance of opening dates for major grant streams such as Direct Social Services and Organizational Capacity Building (DSS and OCB). In Fall 2020, the Social Policy grants team also hosted three virtual information sessions for organizations interested in applying for Social Policy Grants. The sessions allowed staff to highlight any changes in the application forms, to answer grant applicants' questions and to solicit feedback on the application process.

In addition to detailed program information, social grant applications require applicants to provide governance and financial details. Applications must be signed by two members of the applicant organization's board of directors. Staff review all applications for completeness and to ensure they meet eligibility requirements (Appendix N). Staff then conduct detailed reviews using grant program-specific criteria that have been established in alignment with Council priorities, and based on "good practice" for program and organizational management. Follow up phone calls or interviews are conducted with applicants where additional information is required.

During the adjudication process, Social Policy staff also work closely with staff administering other City of Vancouver grant programs to maximize the collective impact of the city's investments. For example, the Social Policy and Homelessness Services teams worked closely on development and adjudication of the new *Renter Services Grants* program, recommendations for which are also being presented to Council on March 9<sup>th</sup> (RTS 13412).

## Strategic Analysis

### Flexibility of City funding key to enabling COVID Recovery

Many population groups served by Vancouver's social services sector have been, and continue to be disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, and the organizations that serve these individuals face unique recovery challenges.

Social Policy staff consistently heard that the City's early funding flexibility and pandemic response enabled organizations to pivot their services to respond to changing needs (March 18, 2020 RTS 13786). In response to stakeholder feedback and significant public discussion about good granting practice, staff propose a similar approach to the funding recommended in this report as British Columbia experiences rising COVID rates and the possibility of further pandemic setbacks.

Recommendations A-E, H-J, N include grants that normally support core operations, such as key staff and program administration required to deliver direct services. Recommendation R seeks Council approval to again provide funding flexibility for organizations to respond to COVID health and safety protocols and adapted programming.

### Advancing the Goals of the Healthy City Strategy and Other Key Council Priorities

The grants recommended in this report are informed by the Healthy City Strategy and by other Council strategies and priorities, as illustrated in Table 3. Healthy City Strategy goals are shared and supported by all levels of government. City social grants are strategic investments that augment and amplify investments from other levels of government to support the delivery of key community services that are crucial to the health and well-being of Vancouver residents.

Table 3: 2021 Funding Recommendations in Response to Council Strategies and Healthy City Strategy Goals

SOCIAL GRANTS			
STREAM	# OF GRANTS	COUNCIL STRATEGIES	HEALTHY CITY STRATEGY GOALS
Community Services	171	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Healthy City Strategy</li> <li>City of Reconciliation</li> <li>Housing Vancouver</li> <li>Vancouver Food Strategy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Good Start</li> <li>Feeding Ourselves Well</li> <li>Healthy Human Services</li> <li>Being and Feeling Safe and Included</li> <li>Cultivating Connections</li> <li>Making Ends Meet and Working Well</li> <li>A Home for Everyone</li> <li>Collaborative Leadership</li> </ul>
Childcare	47	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Healthy City Strategy</li> <li>Civic Childcare Strategy and Moving Forward Childcare</li> <li>City of Reconciliation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Good Start</li> <li>Healthy Human Services</li> <li>Being and Feeling Safe and Included</li> </ul>
Hastings Legacy Fund	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Healthy City Strategy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Being and Feeling Safe and Included</li> <li>Cultivating Connections</li> </ul>

SOCIAL GRANTS			
STREAM	# OF GRANTS	COUNCIL STRATEGIES	HEALTHY CITY STRATEGY GOALS
Streetohome	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy City Strategy</li> <li>• Housing Vancouver</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Home for Everyone</li> <li>• Being and Feeling Safe and Included</li> <li>• Cultivating Connections</li> <li>• Making Ends Meet and Working Well</li> </ul>
COVID Recovery Grants	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy City Strategy</li> <li>• City of Reconciliation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feeding Ourselves Well</li> <li>• Being and Feeling Safe and Included</li> <li>• Cultivating Connections</li> </ul>

OTHER GRANTS			
STREAM	# OF GRANTS	COUNCIL STRATEGIES	HEALTHY CITY STRATEGY GOALS
School Food Program	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy City Strategy</li> <li>• Early Care and Learning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environments to Thrive In</li> <li>• Active Living and Getting Outside</li> <li>• Feeding Ourselves Well</li> <li>• Being and Feeling Safe and Included</li> <li>• Cultivating Connections</li> <li>• Making Ends Meet and Working Well</li> </ul>
Greenest City Grants	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate Emergency Action Plan/Renewable City Strategy/Climate Change Adaptation Plan</li> <li>• Zero Waste 2040</li> <li>• Transportation 2040</li> <li>• Healthy City Strategy</li> <li>• Vancouver Food Strategy</li> <li>• DTES Local Area Plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Good Start</li> <li>• Feeding Ourselves Well</li> </ul>
TOTAL GRANTS	237		

The grants recommended in this report work toward systems change and the Healthy City Strategy's vision of a healthy city for all by:

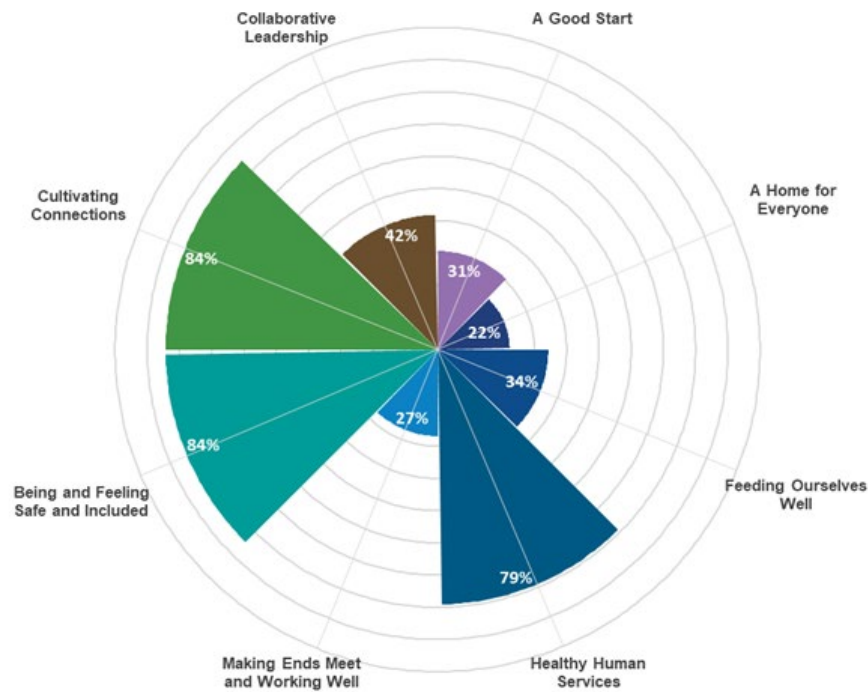
- i. Supporting multiple Healthy City Strategy goals including: **A Good Start**, by building capacity in the childcare sector; **Healthy Human Services**, by creating equitable access to high quality social and community services; **Being and Feeling Safe and Included**, by increasing a sense of belonging and a sense of safety; **Cultivating Connections**, by creating places and spaces for people to engage and connect; **Making Ends Meet**, by creating and supporting access to employment opportunities and reducing barriers to

poverty; and, **Feeding Ourselves Well**, by increasing food assets and enabling healthy, just and sustainable food systems.

- ii. Supporting the **City of Reconciliation** framework and the actions outlined by the **Truth and Reconciliation Commission** by funding programs for Indigenous peoples that respond to the unique needs of Vancouver’s multicultural urban Indigenous population, and by investing in learnings that help our understanding of historical and contemporary issues impacting Indigenous peoples.
- iii. Facilitating actions consistent with recommendations of the **Mayor’s Overdose Emergency Task Force**, which includes preventing overdose deaths and addressing the social determinants of mental health and substance use.
- iv. Responding to priorities of the **Housing Vancouver Strategy** by supporting organizations providing housing information, referral and other supports to renters and by supporting homelessness prevention initiatives as well as providing new supportive housing for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- v. Addressing the recommendations of **Paige’s Story: Abuse, Indifference and a Young Life Discarded**, by funding programs that support vulnerable children and youth through outreach and supportive programs that build social cohesion and resilience early in life.
- vi. Complementing initiatives of the **DTES Community Economic Development Strategy** to help meet goals of the Downtown Eastside Plan, the Healthy City Strategy, and other directives.
- vii. Facilitating the achievement of the **Vancouver Food Strategy** goals and targets through grants supporting community organizations that build coalitions of individuals, agencies and businesses to work collaboratively to achieve food systems goals; and, by empowering residents including school staff, children, and youth to engage in their food system.
- viii. Helping to meet the **Greenest City Action Plan** goals and targets by funding projects that reduce Vancouver’s carbon footprint while enhancing the health and resilience of our citizens, community and natural environment.

*Chart 1: Alignment of Recommended Direct Social Services (DSS) and Organizational Capacity Building (OCB) Grants with Healthy City Goals<sup>20</sup>*

<sup>20</sup> Data taken from DSS and OCB applicants recommended for funding in this report.



Note: As most programs indicate significant alignment in multiple goal areas, percentages total more than 100%  
Recommended Grants by Stream

**1: COMMUNITY SERVICES GRANTS:<sup>21</sup> \$6,523,813**

Of the 210 applications received for 2021 Community Services Grant (CSG) funding:

- 171 applications are being recommended for funding (Appendices A-1, B-1, C, D-1, E, F);
- 12 are deemed ineligible under program criteria (e.g., program in operation less than 18 months) (Appendix A-3); and,
- The remaining 27 (Appendices A-2, B-2, D-2) are *not* being recommended for funding.

Table 4: Summary of Recommended 2021 Community Services Grants

CSG Program	Description	Total Grants Recommended	COMMENTS/ CONDITIONS
<b>Direct Social Services (DSS) Grants (Appendix A-1)</b>	<b>107 grants</b> to programs that deliver a broad range of services and supports to residents of Vancouver, particularly individuals and groups who are experiencing social, physical, and/or economic disadvantages and/or who face discrimination	\$4,024,624	See Appendix A-1

<sup>21</sup> Direct Social Services, Organizational Capacity Building, Neighbourhood Organization, Indigenous Healing and Wellness, Sustainable Food Systems, Rent Subsidy, EMBERS.



CSG Program	Description	Total Grants Recommended	COMMENTS/ CONDITIONS
<b>Organizational and Other Capacity-Building (OCB) Grants (Appendix B-1)</b>	<b>23 grants</b> to support non-profit agencies to improve their ability to deliver social services, address social issues, and navigate change	\$770,853	See Appendix B-1
<b>Neighbourhood Organization Grants (NOG) (Appendix C)</b>	<b>11 grants</b> to neighbourhood houses, which are key community partners in actualizing the goals of the Healthy City Strategy.	\$1,062,511	See Appendix C
<b>Indigenous Healing and Wellness Grants (IH&amp;W) (Appendix D)</b>	<b>13 grants</b> that represent an important contribution to the delivery of Elder services and Indigenous traditional, cultural and spiritual activities.	\$220,000	See Appendix D-1
<b>Sustainable Food Systems Grants (SFS) (Appendix E)</b>	<b>13 grants</b> to support Neighbourhood Food Networks (NFN) that facilitate community connectedness and catalyze action, knowledge and skill-building on a range of food system issues <i>The three year SFS grant cycle was due to end this year, with the intention of an open call for proposals for 2021. Instead, staff recommend that grants be renewed for one additional year to limit the burden on NPOs and to ensure stable programming.</i>	\$201,425	See Appendix E
<b>Rent Subsidy Grants (Appendix F)</b>	<b>3 grants</b> to assist non-profit organizations in Property Endowment Fund (PEF) sites to meet lease costs.	\$94,400	See Appendix F
<b>Eastside Movement for Business and Economic Renewal Society (EMBERS)</b>	<b>1 grant</b> to operate a low barrier employment and income generation hub in the DTES to support low income residents and advance the social and economic objectives of the DTES Local Area Plan and the Community Economic Development Strategy (Phase II). <i>Note: EMBERS is also being recommended for a \$50,000 rent subsidy grant bringing the total level of support for Eastside Works to \$200,000 per year.</i>	\$150,000	Page 13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>171 Grants</b>	<b>\$6,523,813</b>	

## **2: CHILDCARE GRANTS: \$1,431,572**

The childcare sector has been severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. At one point in 2020, approximately 10,000 childcare spaces across the province were closed temporarily as health authorities and childcare operators scrambled to develop safety protocols that would ensure the safety of children and staff in the face of a highly transmissible virus. Continued reductions in the number of licensed childcare spaces (as a result of COVID control measures), compounded by the shutdown or severe curtailment of a wide range of free and low-cost programs serving families, children and youth, continue to have the greatest impact on those disproportionately impacted by poverty, racism and a host of interrelated pressures.

At the same time, a silver (if somewhat tarnished) lining in the pandemic was the increased government and public recognition of childcare as an essential service. Increased provincial investments in the two years prior to the onset of the pandemic set the stage for a significant influx of provincial and federal emergency funding in 2020 to keep childcare centres solvent as the pandemic continues.

As we move into 2021, the focus of the City's childcare grant funding continues to be supporting the goal of universal access. Staff have been monitoring in the past two years to see if shifts in provincial funding were leading to increased access by, e.g., single-parent households, refugee and new immigrant families, low income households, and others facing systemic barriers. With the extreme and continuing challenges posed to the sector by the pandemic, an equally important focus is that of supporting the viability of programs in this traditionally under resourced social service sector.

This report is recommending a total of 47 grants for 2021 childcare funding:

### ***i) Childcare Enhancement Grants: \$995,572***

The City received 46 applications for 2021 Childcare Enhancement Grants, 44 of which are being recommended for funding (Appendix H). One applicant withdrew and another did not meet grant program eligibility criteria.

The Childcare Enhancement grant program is intended to enhance both the accessibility and quality of licensed childcare programs. Childcare is the second highest expense for many families after housing. While this major expense affects families across income levels, lower income families are particularly challenged to find quality, affordable care. While trying to keep fees as low as possible to allow for affordability, non-profit childcare providers face rising costs for wages, food, rent and other expenses.

Eligibility criteria for Childcare Enhancement Grants can be found in Appendix N.

### ***ii) Childcare Administration Grants: \$376,000***

Staff recommend two annual operating grants as outlined in Table 5: one to the Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre (WCCRC); and, one to the Vancouver Society of Children's Centres (VSOC).

Table 5: Total 2021 Recommendations for Childcare Administration Grants

<b>SUMMARY (See Appendix I for Details)</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre (WCCRC):</b> Supports City-wide early learning and care, information, training and referral services	<b>\$252,000</b>
<b>Vancouver Society of Children’s Centres (VSOCC):</b> Supports administration and management of 16 City-owned childcare facilities in high density developments in the downtown core	<b>\$124,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$376,000</b>

**WCCRC** provides a range of core services including training and resources for childcare staff to improve quality programming; providing parents with childcare resource and referral (CCRR); operating a specialized library; and, providing sector expertise in management and governance issues related to childcare. Social Policy remain in discussion with the Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) regarding the potential for future shifts in provincial investments in CCRR and other services currently offered through WCCRC, and will continue to maintain communications with the ministry as provincial plans unfold.

**VSOCC** was created by the City in 1995 to operate and steward City-owned childcare amenities in the downtown core. It currently operates 16 childcare centres with 772 licensed spaces serving approximately 1,600 children/year (number served higher than total number of spaces due to part-time sharing of spaces). Social Policy staff are continuing discussions with VSOCC regarding increasing the number of children from low-income families enrolled in their programs in light of the increased provincial investments.

### **iii) Neighbourhood Access Grant: \$60,000**

In October 2012 (RTS 9763) Council approved the creation of an annual Neighbourhood Access Grant (NAG) to the YMCA of Greater Vancouver, with funding for the NAG to be allocated during the annual budgeting process for social policy child care operating grants. The NAG committed the YMCA to offering 50% (19 spaces) of the childcare spaces at the new Woodward’s Child Care Centre at no cost to low-income families in the DTES who were receiving Provincial childcare subsidy. The \$45,000 annual grant was estimated to represent approximately ½ the cost of providing the 19 free spaces, with the YMCA agreeing to cover the remaining costs through their internal resources. The NAG was extremely successful in providing access to some of the neighbourhood’s most vulnerable children since the opening of the Woodward’s CC in 2013. In 2018, the Woodward’s centre was designated as one of the Province of BC’s new “prototype” centres, with enhanced provincial funding replacing other funding sources for the centre, including the annual NAG.

In Spring 2021, two new 37-space childcare centres – the Water View and Portside centres (‘Gastown Parkades Childcares’) – are scheduled to open on Cordova Street. Staff are recommending that the NAG be redirected to the two new child care centres, to guarantee a minimum of 24 of the total 74 licensed spaces be made available to low-income families receiving the full BC Affordable Childcare Benefit (ACB) at no cost to families (i.e., should the monthly fee for the centres exceed the maximum benefit available to families through the province’s ACB, the additional cost would not be borne by the families). Redirection of the NAG in this way was one of the recommendations made by a consultant who reviewed the city childcare grant programs in 2019.

Staff are also recommending that the NAG for the two new centres be increased to a total of \$60K annually, reflecting the significantly increased costs of operating childcare since the NAG was first approved in 2012. This City funding, in partnership with the YMCA Financial Assistance Program, enables these spaces to be offered at no cost to families with low incomes by replacing parent fees. This represents only a proportion of the true costs of enabling access to quality childcare for a population of children and families with additional support needs. The YMCA Financial Assistance Program will support additional program costs for supplementary program staffing, family referrals and supports, and a food program. The estimated annual cost of these extra supports for Water View and Portside child care families is \$200,000. The YMCA's Funds Development team stewards donors who have an interest in helping families with young children who need extra supports to raise these critical funds.

Upon approval by Council, the grant funds will be released subject to signing of a project agreement between the YMCA and the City of Vancouver.

### **3: OTHER SOCIAL GRANTS**

#### ***Hastings Legacy Fund: \$90,000***

The Hastings Legacy Fund (HLF) grant program was launched in 2009, following expansion of legal gambling at the Hastings Racetrack. The fund is supported by an annual contribution that in 2020 had reached \$124,500.

The six HLF grants recommended in this report (Appendix G) support projects that build the capacity of the Hastings-Sunrise neighbourhood to address and respond to local social issues and build a strong, safe and inclusive community.

In previous years, proposals for HLF grants were solicited via an open call. This year, in recognition of the extreme strain under which grantees were already operating due to the pandemic, the decision was made to roll over the 2020 grants/grantees to 2021.

In a report to Council in November 2020 (RTS 14032) Council approved recommendations for payment of the first 25% of HLF grants as the City awaited the 2020 annual contribution from Hastings Racecourse (Great Canadian Gaming). This payment has now been received and so staff are bringing forward recommendations for the remaining 75% of the grants.

*Table 6: Recommendation for Hastings Legacy Fund Grants*

<b>SUMMARY (See Appendix G for Details)</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>6 Hastings Legacy Fund Grants</b> to support projects that build the capacity of the Hastings-Sunrise neighbourhood to address and respond to local social issues and build a strong, safe and inclusive community.	<b>\$90,000</b>

#### ***Streetohome Foundation: \$150,000***

Established in 2008 through a partnership between the City of Vancouver, the Province of British Columbia and the Vancouver Foundation, Streetohome brings a community and collaborative approach to breaking the cycle of homelessness, bringing together a broad-based coalition of leaders and experts from business, service providers, government, and community

sectors. In particular, it provides a key opportunity to engage the skills and resources of the private sector in our shared goal of preventing and reducing homelessness in Vancouver.

For the past ten years, Council has approved an annual operating grant to Streetohome Foundation. Initially \$125,000 /year, in 2016 the annual grant was increased to \$150,000, representing approximately 27% of the Foundation's operating budget. Other funding sources includes BC Housing, Vancouver Coastal Health, and the private sector.

Streetohome brokers and leverages new funding, innovative ideas, and opportunities for collaboration between public and nonprofit sectors to implement sustainable solutions to homelessness in Vancouver. Through these collaborations, individuals are able to realize a range of goals: housing; health & wellness; legal & advocacy; education & training; employment & volunteering goals; and, community & belonging. The opportunities provided empower those at-risk of, or with lived experience of homelessness, to move along their preferred life path. Since its inception, Streetohome has raised \$32.4M which, combined with public-sector investments, has supported 37 projects (26 supportive housing and 11 homelessness prevention) contributing to housing stability for 4,817 individuals (as of December 31, 2020) including unaccompanied youth, families, couples, single adults, and seniors. 100% of Streetohome's capital donations fund supportive housing and homelessness prevention initiatives.

Streetohome is currently fundraising \$5.4M for one supportive housing building (420 Hawks), three addiction recovery supportive housing programs (Salvation Army's Vancouver Harbour Light Redevelopment, UGM's Women's & Families Centre and Delancey Street Vancouver) and two homelessness prevention initiatives (Recovery Café and Life Intentions Action Planner App), in addition to brokering the purchase of a suitable property for Delancey Street Vancouver. Streetohome has already brokered the purchase of a \$10M property for the Recovery Café. The supportive housing projects and homelessness prevention initiatives are currently under development and expected to be operational within two years.

Streetohome has also partnered with the City Vancouver on the Vancouver Rent Bank (loan capital); Supporting Tenants, Enabling Pathways (moving expenses capital); and Homeward Bound (travel expenses capital).

*Table 7: Recommendation for Streetohome Foundation Operating Grant*

SUMMARY	Amount
<p><b>1 grant to the Streetohome</b> for operating dollars for 2021. City funding allows Streetohome to expend donor dollars directly on homelessness prevention initiatives and new supportive housing for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.</p>	<p><b>\$150,000</b></p>

### **COVID Recovery Grants \$55,000**

In November 2020, Council approved 25 one-time COVID Recovery grants to support work assisting populations experiencing the most severe effects of the pandemic (RTS 14032). While these were one-time grants the 2 programs recommended in this report received a smaller grant in November in the hope that they would qualify for other sources of funding that were not yet confirmed at the time they were brought to Council.

In the case of these 2 programs, sufficient funding was not received from other sources and so the recommended grants in this report will assist in continuing their COVID recovery work through 2021.

*Table 8: Recommendation for COVID Recovery Grants*

<b>SUMMARY (See Appendix J for Details)</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>2 COVID Recovery Grants</b> to support work assisting populations experiencing the most severe effects of the pandemic.	<b>\$55,000</b>

## **4: SCHOOL FOOD AND GREENEST CITY GRANTS**

### **i. *School Food Grants: Expanding access to healthy foods for school-aged children: \$474,280***

In December 2014, City Council unanimously adopted a motion asking City staff to identify \$400,000 in the operating budget to expand access to healthy foods for school-aged children. These funds have enabled meal programs through the Vancouver School Board and through Strathcona Community Centre Association since 2015 and through Fresh Roots since 2018.

Staff recommend renewing funding to three school food models. These grants will enable meal provision for up to 320 students, and possibly 100-200 more, depending on COVID-19 restrictions and restart plans. The programs also enable benefits, including leadership and food skill development. (Appendix K)

The three funded organizations rapidly modified their programs in March 2020 to address COVID-19 site closures. They transitioned to provide take out meals, lunch kits, hampers, and family meals. Vancouver School Board has resumed some daily hot meals, and continues to provide delivered meals and lunch kits. Strathcona Community Centre Association's daily breakfast program model continues as a take out model. Fresh Roots' in-school meals remain on hold due to COVID-19 restrictions and instead their focus is on experiential food education and preparing to scale the meal program to additional schools once allowed.

*Table 9: Recommendation for School Food Program Grants*

<b>SUMMARY (See Appendix K for Details)</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>Vancouver School Board Food Program:</b> Lunch program delivered to approximately 170 elementary students each day.	<b>\$332,000</b>

<b>SUMMARY (See Appendix K for Details)</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>Strathcona Community Centre Association Breakfast Program:</b> Universally available breakfast program serving approximately 100 - 150 elementary students each day.	<b>\$84,000</b>
<b>Fresh Roots Urban Farming Society LunchLAB:</b> Lunches provided to 100-200 students 2-3 days per week at up to 3 schools depending on COVID-19 restrictions and restart plans. Should program restart not be possible in 2021, Fresh Roots will offer modified food literacy programming.	<b>\$58,280</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$474,280</b>

**ii. Greenest City Grants: \$276,065**

Established in 2012 and co-administered by the City's Sustainability Group and Social Policy since 2017, the Greenest City Grant program offers grants for place-based, community-driven initiatives that help to advance sustainability, the City of Vancouver's Climate Emergency Action Plan, and equity in our city. The Sustainability Group also partners with the Vancouver Foundation to administer the Greenest City Neighbourhood Small Grant program.

Thirty-four applications were received for Greenest City Grants. Staff are recommending seven Greenest City grants (Appendix L-1). Twenty-seven applications are not being recommended (Appendix L-2).

*Table 10: Recommendations for Greenest City Grants*

<b>SUMMARY (see Appendix L-1 for details)</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>7 Greenest City Grants</b> for projects that support climate action and equity in Vancouver, and advance other City priorities within the context of the Climate Emergency Action Plan, Climate Change Adaptation Plan, and Healthy City Strategy.	<b>\$276,065</b>

**Implications/Related Issues/Risk**

**Financial**

Funding for Grant recommendations totalling \$9,000,730 and the remaining budget are summarized in Table 11 below.

Staff will return to Council with recommendations for the remaining social grant funding later in 2021. Grant funds will be released in two payments unless otherwise indicated.

*Table 11: Financial Overview of Recommended Grant Streams and Remaining Balances*

<b>Rec</b>	<b>Grant Stream</b>	<b>Source of funding</b>	<b>2021 Budget</b>	<b>Previously Approved</b>	<b>Recommended in this Report</b>	<b>Balance</b>
A-G & M	Community Services Grants and COVID Recovery Grants	Social Policy Operating Grants	6,913,914	25,000 (RTS 14272)	6,578,813	310,101
I-K	Childcare Grants	Social Policy Operating Grants – Childcare	2,195,540	0	1,431,572	763,968

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of funding	2021 Budget	Previously Approved	Recommended in this Report	Balance
H	Hastings Legacy Fund	Hastings Social Responsibility Reserve	145,300	30,000	90,000	25,300
L	Streetohome Foundation	ACCS Operating Budget	150,000	0	150,000	0
N	School Food Program	Social Policy Operating Grants Budget	474,280	0	474,280	0
O	Greenest City Grants	Other Grants - Greenest City Grants	276,065	0	276,065	0
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$10,155,099</b>	<b>55,000</b>	<b>\$9,000,730</b>	<b>\$1,099,369</b>

### **CONCLUSION**

The services, programs and organizations recommended for funding are part of the complex network of non-profits that are working to support the City's liveability, social development and sustainability objectives. City grants provide core and project funding to programs that work toward a more sustainable city by providing direct services to people in need, providing resources for people in disproportionately impacted and inequitably treated groups, and by enabling upstream, systems-changing work to address social inequities.

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**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Direct Social Services Grants Recommended (Recommendation A)  
Including Existing & New Grantees**

*Direct Social Services grants reinforce the Healthy City Strategy by supporting the provision of services and/or programs that are designed to address specific current social problems and issues, thereby reducing conditions that cause residents of Vancouver to experience vulnerability.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
411 Seniors Centre Society (1977)	\$60,000	Seniors helping Seniors	Core program in which volunteers steer the activities of the Society and lead all connecting activities, linking seniors to their peers and new opportunities, encouraging community engagement & inspiring civic participation.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$5,000 from 2020 grant.
Aboriginal Front Door Society, The	\$55,900	Streetfront Outreach Services	A drop-in service offering respite to Indigenous people who are homeless and/or living below the poverty line. AFDS offers support circles, cultural programming and youth services.	<b>CONDITION:</b> 2nd quarterly payment contingent on submission of updated financials to the satisfaction of the Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.
Aboriginal Mother Centre Society	\$75,000	Transformational Leadership AKA Under One Roof - Administration	Provides housing for Aboriginal mothers and their children in a culturally relevant and supportive environment with access to a variety of essential services Under One Roof.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$30,000 from 2020 grant to support capacity building.
Access Pro Bono Society of British Columbia	\$15,000	Residential Tenancy Program	Free legal assistance and representation to low-income tenants contending with legal issues that imperil their housing security.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$25,000	Frames Film Program	Supports Indigenous youth and their peers to address barriers in their lives, express themselves creatively through film, and become agents of change in their communities.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$22,192	Youth Skills Development Program	Three cohorts of BIPOC youth/year from local high schools complete life skills workshops and volunteer placements to develop leadership skills, healthy peer relationships, community connections, and resiliency.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	\$3,750	Young Ideas	Volunteers facilitate community connections for young adults who live, work, and spend time in Vancouver's West End.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>22</sup></b>
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	\$31,250	Empowered Westside Seniors	Empowers seniors to engage in programs, volunteerism and community building.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	\$10,612	Family Resource Programs	Hosts a variety of parenting and family opportunities for capacity and connection. The Family is at the center of the programming honoring that all families have the potential to thrive and grow into fully contributing members of the community.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	\$35,000	Indigenous Community Development	Provides hands-on services and supports to Indigenous people at MPNH, works in supporting and developing strategic partnerships with other agencies to address the needs of Indigenous people living in our community.	

<sup>22</sup> **Notification Grant:** organization is granted 50% of previous year's funding and put on notice that this is the final year of social grant funding, providing a transitional year to seek replacement sources of funding.

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	\$20,000	Youth Action Project (YAP) Model	Youth leaders (age 13-18) undergo training, skill building, volunteering, and civic engagement. Focus on supporting youth with transition into the employment workforce and post-secondary, as well as supporting preteens with transition into high school and becoming youth leaders themselves.	
Atira Women's Resource Society	\$10,152	Intergenerational Mentorship	Encourages the development of intergenerational relationships between older and younger women at two neighbouring Atira Housing Programs, empowering women facing multiple barriers to contribute to the wellness of their communities.	
Aunt Leah's Independent Lifeskills Society	\$58,178	The Link (Vancouver Outreach & Home Visits)	Aunt Leah's umbrella program for all services and supports, offers youth from foster care the tools, resources and supportive community necessary to help them secure housing, increase their quality of life, and achieve their goals.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$22,734 from 2020 grant to support an increase in demand for services.
B.W.S.S.: Battered Women's Support Services Association	\$64,250	Women's Support Group Program	Provides critical gender-based violence prevention and intervention services. Programming includes crisis line, specialized support groups, volunteer opportunities, training, and advocacy for individuals, community and service providers.	<b>COMMENT:</b> One-time increase of \$9,730 from 2020 grant to support COVID-related increase in demand for services.
Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver	\$36,259	Big Brothers Community Program ( <i>formerly In-School Mentoring Program</i> )	Program connects male-identifying, gender-fluid and non-binary children (age 7-14), with a positive male-identifying role model. Through regular outings, a friendship is developed between the Mentor and Mentee that is built on trust, common interests and values.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$4,029 from 2020 grant.

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Big Sisters of B.C. Lower Mainland	\$44,345	Big Sisters Mentoring	A one-to-one mentorship for those ages 7-17. Through regular weekly outings for a minimum of one year, a relationship develops between the mentee and volunteer mentor that is built on trust and common interests and is supported by experienced caseworkers.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$4,927 from 2020 grant.
Boys and Girls Clubs of South Coast BC	\$58,165	Boys and Girls Club Services in Vancouver	Supports BGC's three Clubs in Vancouver (Fraserview, Kimount, and Kivan), which provide after-school programs for kids aged 6 to 18 that encourage the development of positive relationships, healthy living, lifelong learning, and leadership.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$6,463 from 2020 grant.
Canadian Mental Health Association, Vancouver-Fraser Branch	\$15,000	Chinese Happy Seniors Wellness Program	An activity and learning-based program promoting positive mental, physical and social health for participants by building social networks (reducing isolation) while increasing a sense of belonging in a community of peers.	
Canadian Mental Health Association, Vancouver-Fraser Branch	\$6,600	Volunteer Program	Rehabilitation teams help individuals living with mental illness engage in volunteer opportunities to build resilience, while supporting CMHA VF programs and services.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>23</sup></b>
Canadian Paraplegic Association DBA Spinal Cord Injury Organization of BC	\$48,000	Information Services Program	A hub of resources related to living well with a spinal cord injury, including an extensive online database, a toll-free InfoLine, and in-depth assistance for those with more complex needs.	

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Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	\$44,249	SAFE in Collingwood	SAFE (Sex work Awareness for Everyone) provides outreach and drop-in support services for sex workers along the Kingsway corridor with the aim of increasing the health and safety of sex workers, businesses and residents	
Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of British Columbia	\$29,364	Distress Services	Provides support to vulnerable individuals, offering immediate access to barrier-free, non-judgmental, confidential support and follow-up to youth, adults and seniors through 24/7 phone lines and online chat services.	
Downtown Eastside Women's Centre Association, The	\$52,492	Chinese Seniors Outreach Program	Assists isolated Chinese seniors living in Strathcona and Downtown Eastside neighbourhoods with accessing vital services and building community among Chinese-speaking seniors.	
Downtown Eastside Women's Centre Association, The	\$40,000	DEWC Drop-In Centre	The Centre assists an average of 500 women and children daily, providing a place of safety and basic needs including meals, clothing, phone, showers, and toilets, as well as a bridge to accessing intensive support services.	
Downtown Eastside Women's Centre Association, The	\$90,572	Management and Administration Team	The administrative team works to build capacity, and oversees and supports operations at multiple low-barrier locations where we assist women and children daily.	
Dugout Drop-In Centre Society, The	\$40,600	The Dugout Drop-In Centre	A drop-in centre that provides a living room: space for building social connections, nourishment, employment and volunteer opportunities for men, women, trans, non-binary, two-spirit and other individuals who are homeless or live in tiny single-occupancy rooms in the Downtown Eastside.	

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East Side Family Place Society	\$63,415	Eastside Family Place Society - Core Funding	A multi-faceted agency that offers a wide range of services, supports, resources, programs which benefit families with young pre-school children in their healthy development in East Vancouver off Commercial Drive.	
Family Services of Greater Vancouver	\$83,759	Directions Youth Services Outreach	Identifies and engages at-risk youth under 25 who are homeless or in crisis, and assists them to access housing supports, mental health and primary health care, and creates connection to relevant and appropriate services in the community.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Decrease of \$14,781 from 2020 grant.
First Funds Society	\$25,000	Aboriginal Youth Mentorship & Housing Program	Provides aboriginal youth with mentorship, housing supports and basic life skills in their transition from foster care to adulthood.	
First United Church Community Ministry Society	\$25,376	Legal Advocacy Program	A participant-driven program providing free services to 1,500 low-income clients per year, predominantly in the areas of tenancy issues, income security, and Employment Insurance.	
Fresh Roots Urban Farm Society	\$7,500	SOYL: Afterschool and Extracurricular Programs @ the Vancouver Schoolyard Market Gardens	Empowers youth and neighbours through food leadership where participants grow and cook healthy food, and build confidence by running farms as social enterprises.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>24</sup></b>
Gallery Gachet Society	\$20,000	Gallery Gachet Volunteer Program	Regular and inspiring volunteer activities, supporting people who are impacted by mental illness and disabling conditions, addressing isolation, broadening skills and improving participants' relations to other resources.	

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Greater Vancouver Law Students Legal Advice Society (GVLSLAS)	\$29,352	Law Students' Legal Advice Program (LSLAP)	Provides free legal services and representation to low-income and marginalized individuals in areas such as Human Rights, Residential Tenancy, Worker's Compensation, Criminal law, Government Benefits and Immigration.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$9,784 from 2020 grant.
H.I.M. Health Initiative for Men Society	\$35,000	HUSTLE (How U Survive This Life Everyday)	An advocacy and education (stigma reduction) program, designed and implemented by experiential folks, for self-identified men working in the sex industry.	
Hastings Community Association	\$30,452	Hastings Family Enrichment Centre	Provides a space in the community for parents or guardians, caregivers and grandparents of children 0-5 years of age to interact in a variety of social, recreational, educational, supportive and cultural programs.	
Helping Spirit Lodge Society	\$25,376	Journey Home	Provides housing support to episodically and chronically homeless individuals and families, following the housing first model that advocates housing people first regardless of their housing readiness.	
Immigrant Services Society of British Columbia, The	\$46,118	Newcomer Youth Program ( <i>formerly Multicultural Youth Circle (MY Circle) Program</i> )	Through in-person small groups and support pods, offers at risk immigrant & refugee youth various activities to lead, engage, participate & support each other.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$8,138 from 2020 grant.
Immigrant Services Society of British Columbia, The	\$116,520	Settlement Orientation Services (SOS)	Facilitates the service coordination, pre-settlement and housing support of refugee claimants in Vancouver.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$20,562 from 2020 grant.
Japanese Community Volunteers Association (Tonari Gumi)	\$10,000	Senior Lighthouse Program (SLP)	Enhances the mental and physical health of at-risk seniors by providing tools and resources for seniors to have a healthy, safe, connected, active and learning life.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Jewish Family Service Agency of Vancouver	\$16,120	Seniors Support Services	Assists seniors to navigate the aging journey, ensuring they can live independently with dignity and healthy outcomes. Staff provide a continuum of care including advocacy, community programming, assistance with information and referral and distribution of financial aid.	
Jewish Seniors Alliance of Greater Vancouver	\$10,000	Seniors Peer Support	Facilitates training for Seniors from many cultures to volunteer in our Peer Support Program, providing personal connecting visits, emotional support through friendly phone calls, critical bereavement support, and appointment accompaniment.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 3rd quarter payment subject to receipt of updated financial statements, to satisfaction of Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.
John Howard Society of British Columbia, The	\$17,255	Vancouver Community Services Office (VCSO) - Program Coordinator	Assists people who face multiple barriers (including involvement in the criminal justice system, substance use, persistent mental health concerns, developmental disabilities, and/or risk of homelessness) by offering free services that provide wraparound support and social connections which promote safe and healthy community inclusion	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$3,045 from 2020 grant.
Justice Education Society of British Columbia	\$27,004	Court Information Program for Immigrants (CIPI)	The program reduces judicial access challenges due to language and cultural barriers, providing front-line legal information service in English, Mandarin, Cantonese, Punjabi, Hindi and others as needed.	
Kettle Friendship Society, The	\$86,252	Drop-In Centre	Provides a safe, barrier free environment 365 days/year where multi disadvantaged individuals have opportunities to build human connections, share a meal with others, and find support, assistance and encouragement.	



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KidSafe Project Society, The	\$10,000	Kidsafe Youth Pathway (formerly KidLink Youth Program)	Program for youth who are 'graduating' from Kidsafe's Break Program and transitioning into high school - connects them to extra-curricular programs and mentorship in an effort to keep youth positively engaged and supported.	
KidSafe Project Society, The	\$10,000	KidSafe's Break Program 2020/21	Provides comprehensive programming to referred, at-risk children attending twelve Vancouver elementary schools when schools are closed for winter, spring, and summer break, including nutritious meals and support and supervision from caring adult staff.	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	\$10,000	Seniors Program	Connects marginalized seniors to crucial supports, increasing access to resources and opportunities for strengthening networks of care.	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	\$37,388	Youth Program	Engages isolated youth in the Hasting-Sunrise and Grandview-Woodland neighbourhoods. Programmers, partners, and youth collaboratively develop, design and implement activities and programs that strengthen relationships and opportunities for leadership and connection.	
La Boussole, Centre Communautaire Societé	\$25,000	Services sociaux	Provides education, training and employment assistance to Francophones in need in order to help their social integration, and to enhance access to services for vulnerable Francophone residents.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$5,140 from 2020 grant to support underserved population.
Learning Disabilities Society of Greater Vancouver	\$25,376	LDS RISE (Research-informed Individualized Student Education)	Provides equitable, affordable access to customized learning support for children and youth with suspected or diagnosed learning disabilities.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Leave Out Violence (LOVE) Society BC	\$34,628	Leadership and Map (Media Arts Program)	Through the use of multi-media arts, seeks to impact meaningful change in the lives of multi-barriered youth to break the cycle of violence in the lives of young people and their communities. Builds a team of youth leaders who communicate a message of anti-violence.	
Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society, The	\$21,544	Early Years - Family Resource Programs	Supports the development of happy and healthy families with a combination of programs which provides children a safe place to learn and play, and gives support and resources to parents and caregivers to help them thrive.	
Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society, The	\$3,106	Home Work Club (formerly LIFT - Learning is First)	A partnership program of the VSB, CST, and LMNHS providing free afterschool tutoring, healthy food, mentorship, and recreation for 350 youth at Tupper and John Oliver Secondary School, and supports inclusion of 75-100 youth (grade 8-12) who face multiple barriers to succeed in school.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>25</sup></b>
M.O.S.A.I.C. Multi-Lingual Orientation Service Association for Immigrant Communities	\$66,123	Outreach and Community Support	Program staff advocates on behalf of newcomer groups, including women, migrant workers and refugee claimants, and facilitates activities that support at-risk groups to access information and community resources that address their needs.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$22,041 from 2020 grant.
MakeWay Charitable Society	\$25,000	Bidders' Project	Brings together bidders to achieve greater recognition of their contribution to society and new, informal economic opportunities. A project on MakeWay's shared platform, a national charity that builds partnerships and solutions to help nature and communities thrive together.	

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Marpole Oakridge Family Place Society	\$58,000	Family Resource Drop In & Parent Support	Provides a daily drop-in, support, resources and education that benefit families with young children aged 0 - 6.	
Marpole Oakridge Family Place Society	\$30,000	Marpole Seniors Hub	Services for Marpole seniors, including advocacy and emergency supports, enquiry and referral services, access to resources, information and education options, intergenerational programming and social engagement, recreation, community and civic engagement and volunteer and leadership opportunities	
Migrant Workers Centre BC Society	\$24,000	Migrant Workers Hub	The Saturday hub offers vulnerable migrant workers effective and timely access to information and referral services, educational workshops, and ESL instruction with the goal of promoting safe and equitable employment, community integration, and social connection.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$6,000 from 2020 grant to support services to underserved population.
Mom to Mom Child Poverty Initiative Society	\$25,000	Coordinator of Volunteers, Education and Outreach	Increasing the social, emotional, and financial resources of program participants decreases poverty-related stress, which has a tremendously positive impact on family life. When moms thrive, children thrive.	<b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year.
Mount Pleasant Family Centre Society	\$68,968	Drop in Centre	A safe, welcoming environment for young children and families to learn, play and grow together. We facilitate and foster parenting confidence, parenting skills, enhance healthy child development and build community.	
NEC Native Education College	\$67,000	NEC Student Recruitment and Retention Program	Program targets the multitude of complex issues that prevent current and potential learners from engaging with the college and further completing programming that would better position the individual to attain post-secondary education.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Network of Inner City Community Services Society	\$31,401	Vancouver Roving Leaders	A flexible, inner city, community-based outreach program that connects, engages and supports youth and their families through attachment-based work that emphasizes a youth's strengths and personal goals to ensure positive results	
Pacific Community Resources Society	\$108,000	Broadway Youth Resource Centre	Wraparound youth service program in Midtown Vancouver providing a variety of social, housing, education, cultural, and health supports to youth ages 13-24 experiencing vulnerabilities and marginalization.	
Pacific Immigrant Resources Society	\$10,546	Immigrant Women's Leadership (LEAD / Building Bridges)	Program fosters community involvement and creates a better sense of belonging and understanding for participants by addressing the issues of social exclusion and under or unemployment.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>26</sup></b>
Pacific Immigrant Resources Society	\$62,300	Outreach & Support Programs for Immigrant & Refugee Women	Provides trauma-informed interventions to newcomer women and their young children that promote learning, a sense of connection to community, and develop pathways to access community resources such as health care, employment, housing, or child care support services.	
Pacific Post Partum Support Society	\$8,842	Postpartum Depression/Anxiety Support	Provides toll-free telephone and email counselling five days a week and two weekly Vancouver support groups.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>23</sup></b>

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PeerNet Association of British Columbia	\$38,472	Youth Initiative	Provides opportunities to connect and support youth as well as youth services, including engagement opportunities and projects throughout the city among a range of communities, and that are rooted in values of anti-oppression, intersectionality, equity, and decolonization.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of second payment (50%) of grant contingent on revised program deliverables to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy and participation in process convened by City's Social Policy Grants Team.
PLEA Community Services Society of British Columbia	\$15,200	Children of the Street Program: Taking Care of Ourselves & Taking Care of Others (TCO <sup>2</sup> ) Workshops	We give youth information and practical tools to learn how to keep themselves and their friends safe from sex trafficking and sexual exploitation. Our workshops provide a safe space for youth to learn and share.	
PLEA Community Services Society of British Columbia	\$27,088	KidStart Mentoring Program 6-12s	A mentorship program that provides children, who face major adversity in their lives, with a nurturing relationship with a caring mentor. KidStart gives kids a chance to have fun and feel a sense of belonging to their community	<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$4,780 from 2020 grant.
Providing Advocacy Counselling & Education Society (PACE)	\$85,300	Sex Worker Occupational Health & Safety Violence Prevention Program	Provides peer-led educational workshops and resources for sex workers of all genders, utilizing evidence-based and harm reduction strategies to decrease situational violence and support their health and safety. This program also provides public education and advocacy to reduce stigma and the resulting violence and structural violence and structural barriers faced by sex workers.	
QMUNITY BC's Queer, Trans, and Two-Spirit Resource Centre Society	\$31,060	Core Operations / Resource Centre	QMUNITY is BC's queer, trans, and Two-Spirit resource centre. Through our three pillars of service - support, connection and leadership - we work to improve the lives of LGBTQ2S+ British Columbians.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
QMUNITY BC's Queer, Trans, and Two-Spirit Resource Centre Society	\$48,352	Gab Youth Program	A social, peer and mentor-support program for LGBTQ2SAI+ youth, ages 14 - 25. Programming includes weekly drop-ins, direct support including referrals, support letters (eg. for housing or food security) and special events throughout the year such as Queer Prom.	
Ray-Cam Community Association	\$10,000	Powerful Parents	Builds capacity by supporting local parents through training, community workshops, skills development, and providing opportunities to enact mutual aid, share practical strategies and activate learned skills for parents facing multiple barriers.	
REACH Centre Association	\$22,980	Multicultural Family Centre Drop-In	Provides members of culturally diverse communities with information in their first language, and in a culturally responsive format, enabling them to access necessary community resources and services and alleviate social isolation	
Red Fox Healthy Living Society	\$45,000	Red Fox Child, Youth and Family Programs	Through the power of recreation and mentorship, the program transforms the lives of children and youth who face barriers. We deliver free recreation, arts, cultural, environmental and food security programs to children, youth and families and train and mentor local youth to lead the programs and become positive role models.	
Renfrew Collingwood Seniors Society	\$22,528	Community Senior's Drop-in (Wheels to Meals)	Provides opportunity for seniors to socialize, build long-lasting friendships, share a meal and partake in engaging activities and educational presentations that focus on health promotion.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
S.U.C.C.E.S.S. (United Chinese Community Enrichment Services)	\$20,828	Seniors Quality of Life (SQL)	Fosters the equitable access of diverse immigrant seniors with multiple barriers to public community spaces through age-friendly and culturally-inclusive group programming.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>27</sup></b>
Seniors Services Society of BC	\$32,888	Vancouver Seniors Housing Outreach	Provides one-on-one services to Vancouver seniors who are at risk of becoming homeless. We help seniors keep their current housing, secure housing, and maintain affordable and appropriate housing in their chosen communities.	
South Granville Seniors Friendship Centre Society	\$49,178	Core Funding	A community based organization that provides low-barrier/low cost programs and services that promote the physical, social, mental and emotional wellbeing of seniors in the Fairview district.	
South Granville Seniors Friendship Centre Society	\$21,856	Spanish Outreach Program	Targets the Spanish-speaking seniors community and offers them a variety of programs and activities that promote socializations, education, health promotion and empowerment opportunities.	
South Vancouver Family Place Society	\$15,000	Fraserlands Family Drop-In	Provides strength-based support, parent education and capacity building programs for children 0-5 and their families in a safe, accessible, welcoming and inclusive environment.	
South Vancouver Family Place Society	\$64,432	SouthVancouver Family Place - CORE	Provides strengths-based support and capacity building programs for children 0-5 and their families in a safe, accessible, welcoming and inclusive environment.	

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Street Corner Media Foundation	\$20,300	Megaphone and Hope in Shadows Vendor Program	Offers paid sales work, skills building, and community connection for people marginalized by poverty and homelessness.	
Supporting Women's Alternatives Network (SWAN Vancouver) Society	\$30,000	SWAN Outreach: Supporting Im/migrant Women in the Sex Industry	Provides in-person and online outreach to im/migrant women who do indoor sex work in massage parlours, micro-brothels and private residences in order to: reduce isolation and stigma, increase access to community services, distribute harm reduction supplies, increase workplace health and safety, and inform rights-based decision-making.	
Thunderbird Neighbourhood Association	\$40,800	Thunderbird Family, Sunrise and Skeena Terrace Hut Drop-in Program	Enhances the overall quality of life and sense of well-being among community residents through creating positive social networks and access to support systems.	
TRAC Tenant Resource & Advisory Centre Society	\$55,996	Legal Protection for Vancouver Tenants	TRAC enhances the legal protection of Vancouver renters by providing education, representation and advocacy on residential tenancy matters.	
Urban Native Youth Association (UNYA)	\$58,360	Aboriginal Youth Worker	Develops and delivers a range of dynamic, prevention-focused programming, provides advocacy, and facilitates access to programs and services at UNYA and in the community, in order to support the needs of Indigenous youth (11-24 yrs).	



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Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	\$45,000	VAFCS Family Place	Two program intended to improve life circumstances for Indigenous Peoples. The programs build education foundations by utilizing parents as the primary teachers and building community through peer supports. The programs are: Indigenous Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (I+HIPPY) and Indigenous Supporting Mothers and Raising Toddlers (I+SMART); both incorporate teaching Indigenous language.	
Vancouver Association for Survivors of Torture	\$40,000	Core funding / VAST HEALING	VAST promotes the human rights and mental health of Refugees and Newcomers with psychological trauma as a result of torture, violence, and persecution. VAST provides trauma-focused community-based psychosocial support to assist survivors through the settlement and integration process, and to support capacity building for the sector overall.	
Vancouver Second Mile Society, The	\$64,154	Downtown Eastside Seniors Centre (DTES SC)	A drop-in centre for low-income seniors in the DTES to hang out and participate in social and recreational activities with friends to improve their quality of life and sense of belonging and stay healthy by avoiding being isolated.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter payment subject to receipt of updated financial policies, to satisfaction of Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.
Vancouver Second Mile Society, The	\$21,350	Downtown South Neighbourhood Helpers Project (NHP DS)	A peer-based community outreach program that supports marginalized low-income seniors and individuals with disabilities in the Downtown South.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter payment subject to receipt of updated financial policies, to satisfaction of Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vancouver Second Mile Society, The	\$33,300	DTES Neighbourhood Helpers Project (NH - DTES)	Hosted events that foster positive social spaces for isolated seniors to improve their quality of life; we also support seniors through advocacy & referrals, and provide meals and grocery delivery.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter payment subject to receipt of updated financial policies, to satisfaction of Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.
Vancouver Second Mile Society, The	\$33,972	Neighbourhood Helpers Chinese Outreach Project (NHCOP)	Serves low-income and vulnerable Chinese seniors in the DTES and supports them in healthy aging (physically, spiritually, mentally and emotionally), reduces social isolation and marginalization, and connects them to the community through partnership.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter payment subject to receipt of updated financial policies, to satisfaction of Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.
W.A.V.A.W./R.C.C: Women Against Violence Against Women/Rape Crisis Centre	\$49,988	Indigenous Counselling and Outreach Program	The Program provides support to Indigenous survivors of sexualized violence in Vancouver, and violence prevention education to the community, which in turn supports survivors to access services, and experience inclusion, belonging, and safety.	
Warriors Against Violence Society	\$25,000	Warriors Against Violence Society	The program is committed to ending violence in Aboriginal communities by providing information and tools so families can live in a non-violent home and community.	
Watari Research Association, The	\$72,868	Eastside Youth Outreach Team	Provides outreach to vulnerable youth in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside so that youth learn life skills, maximize their safety, experience community inclusion, and have access to dignified housing.	
West End Seniors' Network Society	\$20,000	Older Adult Housing Navigation Service	Assisting older adults in the West End, Coal Harbour and Yaletown with navigating the housing system in response to the extreme development pressures and affordability challenges this neighbourhood faces in part as a result the implementation of the West End Plan.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
West End Seniors' Network Society	\$54,520	Volunteer Management and Information and Referral Services	This program ensures that our information and referral (I&R) services and all of our volunteer-led programs and services are managed effectively and efficiently.	
West Side Family Place Society	\$40,192	Core Funding	The primary population served are caregivers of young children including parents, grandparents, nannies and family/daycare providers and the children in their care on Vancouver's West Side.	
Western Institute for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing DBA Waterfront Centre for Communication Accessibility	\$10,560	Community Interpreting Services Program for Low Income Residents	American Sign Language (ASL) Interpreting services for low-income Deaf residents in Vancouver who communicate primarily in ASL and who may have low English literacy skills; drop-in English-ASL translation service for persons who need assistance to understand written English communications; and an annual tax night.	
WISH Drop-In Centre Society	\$101,700	Drop-In Centre	An overnight safe haven open 365 days a year (24/7) for women involved in street-based sex work, providing front-line support such as nutritious hot meals, showers, and clean clothing; basic medical care, information and referrals to WISH capacity building programs as well as other community services.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$6,700 due to increased demand on services.
WISH Drop-In Centre Society	\$60,400	Mobile Access Project (MAP) Van	Every day and night, the MAP (mobile outreach) Van supports the health and safety of street-based sex workers who actively work Vancouver's strolls. Each month, more than 500 women rely on the van for harm reduction supplies, meals/snacks, clothing, Bad Date reports, information, referrals and peer support.	

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WISH Drop-In Centre Society	\$16,500	Transitions (The Metro Vancouver Consortium (AFDS, HIM, PACE, WISH))	Supplement participant incentives and program expenses (i.e. health supplies, educational course fees, ID replacement, criminal record checks, recertification of expired licences and tickets, etc.) to address the survival needs of Sex Workers who are seeking options: to reduce reliance on, retire from, or otherwise transition out of the sex industry.	
Writers' Exchange Society, The	\$25,000	Out-of-school literacy programs for under-resourced kids	Free out-of-school literacy programs support the well-being of under-resourced kids by providing a fun and safe space outside of school where kids can connect with positive adult role models, eat healthy snacks, build social-emotional competencies and participate in fun reading and writing activities.	
Yarrow Intergenerational Society for Justice 世代同行會	\$45,000	Chinatown Seniors Friendly Mutual Aid Association	Engages Chinese seniors to develop and practice a model of community leadership in the Downtown Eastside and Chinatown. Seniors develop long-term goals and solutions that address inequities and service gaps in the neighbourhood, and collaborate with service providers on program design and delivery.	
Young Women's Christian Association, located in Vancouver British Columbia	\$58,876	YWCA Crabtree Corner Community Resources Centre	Housing a range of holistic, integrated programs and services under one roof, Crabtree Corner supports women, children and families on their journeys towards improved health, personal and economic independence.	

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Young Women's Christian Association, located in Vancouver British Columbia	\$21,976	YWCA Single Mothers Support Services	Offers a range of group and individual services to assist and inform women facing the challenges of parenting alone. Program activities focus on diverse topics including parenting, food security, mental and physical health, education, financial literacy, the legal system, violence prevention, housing and more.	
<b>TOTAL = 107</b>	<b>\$4,024,625</b>			

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS**  
**Direct Social Services Grants NOT Recommended (Recommendation A)**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
411 Seniors Centre Society	\$0	Powered by Age: Vancouver Seniors' Podcast Project	A senior-led, senior-produced podcast that highlights the vitality and diversity of Vancouver's seniors community, challenging us to collectively rethink our views on aging and treatment of elders in our community.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Access Pro Bono Society of British Columbia, The	\$0	Summary Advice Program	Volunteer lawyers provide free legal advice to low and modest income individuals on a wide range of legal issues, including family, immigration, criminal, civil, housing, and poverty law matters.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	\$0	Westside Youth Connections	Provides an opportunity for youth to connect with peers in their community, engage in social and recreational activities, support the transition from elementary school to secondary, engage youth in leadership in the form of our youth council and develop life skills	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

**APPENDIX A-2: DSS GRANTS NOT RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Marpole Neighbourhood House	\$0	Family Support Program (FSP)	Addresses family needs in a comprehensive way through different activities including outreach, one-to-one parent support (information, referrals) parenting workshops, settlement support, and access to food and family drop-ins with childminding.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Cultivate Canada DBA Sole Food Street Farms	\$0	Sole Food Street Farms	Provides meaningful employment and agricultural training for individuals from Vancouver's Downtown East Side, representing 90% of all urban agriculture in the city. People facing complex marginalizing barriers have opportunities for personal growth and social inclusion.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Downtown Eastside SRO Collaborative Society	\$0	(TORO) Tenant Overdose Response Organizer Program	Overdose and COVID prevention work with tenants in underserviced privately owned SROs. Peers share supplies, knowledge and opportunities to connect, strengthening networks of client-centred trauma informed care, through an Indigenized lens.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
DUDES Club Society	\$0	Reconstructing and Support Healthy Relationships and Shared Experiences	Supports young adult men (gender-inclusive) to connect through drop-ins, safe social gatherings, and online sessions. Activities focus on spiritual, physical, emotional and social aspects of wellness.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities. Funding for Agency

**APPENDIX A-2: DSS GRANTS NOT RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
				has been recommended through Indigenous Healing and Wellness (see Appendix D-1).
Frontier College, The	\$0	Championing Literacy in Vancouver	After-school programming and homework clubs to ensure that learners feel supported throughout the year.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Low Entropy Foundation	\$0	Conscious Connections	Low Entropy furthers the advancement of education as it pertains to emotional intelligence, making personal growth accessible to all.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Multicultural Helping House Society	\$0	Core Support	Providing accessible, equitable, and well-managed settlement and community services to all Vancouver residents, to integrate and thrive in Canadian society and economy.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.



**APPENDIX A-2: DSS GRANTS NOT RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
S.U.C.C.E.S.S. United Chinese Community Enrichment Services	\$0	Chinatown Seniors Services Council	Promotes the active aging, well-being, and independence of Chinese-speaking seniors through seniors-led group activities that are culturally appropriate and engaging.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
TFL Technology for Living Society	\$0	Technology for Independent Living	Provides capacity building education, workshop training, and online presentations to people with high-level physical disabilities on new and emerging assistive technology.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Vancouver Tool Library Cooperative, The	\$0	Library and Workshop	An open and accessible low barrier tool lending library and a workshop hub, designed to bring tools and DIY culture to groups and individuals that are marginalized and underserved.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Westcoast Family Centres Society	\$0	Parent Education Program (PEP)	Provides evidence-based programs to children, youth, parents, caregivers, and professionals to strengthen the connections between children and their families and between families and their communities.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

**APPENDIX A-2: DSS GRANTS NOT RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Women Transforming Cities	\$0	Civic Education and Empowerment Program	Works with self-identified women and girls from underrepresented communities in Vancouver to understand and engage with city processes, building connection and a sense of inclusion in Vancouver, as well as confidence in city decision making.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
YMCA of Greater Vancouver, The	\$0	YMCA Immigrant Services	Offers classes and opportunities to recent immigrants in the Lower Mainland, providing support for employment, English language skills, citizenship preparation and more.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
<b>TOTAL = 16</b>				

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Direct Social Services (DSS) Grants NOT Eligible**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Lookout Housing and Health Society	\$0	The Art Studios <i>(operated through Lookout MDABC programs)</i>	An internationally recognized model of psycho-social rehabilitation for individuals with mental illness and addiction issues. Individuals of all ages engage with rehabilitation staff to recover and grow through art.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Mission Possible Compassionate Ministries Society	\$0	Employment Readiness Program: Coaching With A Trauma-Informed Approach	One-on-one coaching is an important component to Mission Possible's Employment Readiness Program. Coaching occurs through a trauma-informed lens.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Progressive Intercultural Community Services Society (PICS)	\$0	VISION: Vancouver's Initiative for Seniors to Indulge in Online Networking	Dedicated to educating and supporting seniors in use of technology to enhance social connections and engagement within the community and their personal network.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Together We Can Drug and Alcohol Recovery and Education Society	\$0	After Care Support Program	Second stage transitional housing and ongoing support with a case manager. Clients work with a case manager to address barriers such as housing, income support, legal matters, job search assistance, educational goals and connecting with Vancouver's recovery community.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
UrbanPromise Ministries	\$0	Promise After-School Care	After-school care program, including professional development (Pro-D) days. Target demographic is youth (aged 5-13 yrs) from low-income families, living in the DTES neighbourhood and the program focuses on literacy, social connection, and mental health.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.

**APPENDIX A-3: DSS GRANTS NOT ELIGIBLE**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vancouver Coalition of Peers Dismantling the Drug War	\$0	Van CCAPO Outreach	DTES peer-driven community providing outreach that connects members to skills training, facilitated activities and services provided by other organizations. Utilizing an Indigenous approach, we strive to identify Indigenous community members who are disconnected from services.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Vancouver Rape Relief Society	\$0	Support Education Action Program	The program creates a space for women victims/survivors of any form of male violence to come together for mutual support, self-education, and joint action, and encourages women's collective transformation from victim to activist against violence against women.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Working Gear Clothing Society	\$0	Working Gear Barbershop	Assists low income and marginalized individuals in their journey of returning to the workforce by removing barriers to employment. This program provides work appropriate clothing and gear, as well as barbershop services at no cost to participants.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
<b>TOTAL = 8</b>				

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Organizational Capacity Building (OCB) Grants Recommended (Recommendation B)**

*Organizational Capacity Building grants support the Healthy City Strategy by providing funding to non-profit organizations that help to build leadership, governance and strategic planning in the non-profit sector.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
211 British Columbia Services Society	\$38,468	2-1-1 & bc211.ca (Shelter & Street Helpline)	Provides free access to community, government and social services by connecting people with the help needed by phone, text, email or webchat to 211 or through online search at bc211.ca. The Shelter & Street Helpline provides updated lists of bedspace for people affected by homelessness.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Marpole Neighbourhood House	\$60,000	MNH - Shared Leadership Pilot - Part 3	Since inception, MNH has been exploring a model of "shared leadership" with various co-located service providers working in close partnership from the site. This project is to determine how co-located organizations can share power and create a new approach to collaboration.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	\$50,472	South Van Seniors' Hub	Playing a leadership role in planning and governance, seniors develop their capacity to guide and sustain the Hub using a community development approach that connects seniors and other organizations at the neighbourhood level.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Britannia Community Services Society, The	\$10,000	Vancouver Neighbourhood Food Networks	Together, and with other community development professionals, 15 VNFNs share and strengthen best practices in community-based food programming, food justice initiatives, and advocacy to support food security for all.	
Check Your Head: The Youth Global Education Network	\$10,000	Confronting the Nonprofit Industrial Complex: Addressing & Redressing Inequities	Support to implement developing robust strategic direction priorities to transform CYH and envision a more equitable future.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of second payment (50%) of grant contingent on participation in process convened by City's Social Policy Grants Team.
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	\$28,104	Living in Community	An innovative initiative that works to find community-based solutions to reduce the harms that sex workers experience and increase health and safety for all residents.	
Disability Alliance BC Society (DABC)	\$88,452	Community Connections and Disability Supports (CCDS)	Provides capacity building workshops, community updates, volunteer training & supports to community organizations to increase their knowledgeable & capacity to assist people with disabilities. Proactively engages & coordinates with non-profit organizations to develop strategies to address systemic issues & affect social change.	<b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$50,000 from 2020 grant to support increased demand for services and capacity building.

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Equitas - International Centre for Human Rights Education Society	\$20,000	Human Rights Education in Vancouver: Building inclusive communities with children and youth	Increasing the capacity of organizations to use human rights education to engage young people facing barriers to participation (newcomer and racialized young people), equipping them with the skills to identify instances of discrimination and lead Community Action Projects to counter racism, and reinforce more inclusive communities.	<p><b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year.</p> <p><b>CONDITION:</b> Release of second payment (50%) of grant contingent on participation in process convened by City's Social Policy Grants Team.</p>
First Funds Society	\$20,400	Community Voicemail	Provides local phone numbers with voicemail to over 100 service providers in Vancouver to share with their clients so people who are homeless/phoneless can connect to opportunities for jobs, housing, social services.	
Hastings Crossing Business Improvement Association	\$15,000	Urban Core Community Workers' Association (Urban Core)	Delivers services that provide employment, education, housing, and social opportunities. Supports a continuum of economic strategies that provide a sustainable livelihood and improved incomes for residents in the DTES.	
Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council	\$140,000	Urban Indigenous Coalition	MVAEC represents and advocates for 23 member agencies, strategically planning for programs and services for the urban Indigenous population.	<p><b>COMMENT:</b> Increase of \$55,000 from 2020 grant to support capacity building.</p>
Pacific Legal Education & Outreach Society (PLEO)	\$10,000	Capacity Building for Non-Profits (formerly Pacific Legal Education and Outreach)	Provides: i) Workshops and webinars on legal issues such as privacy, governance (the Societies Act), dispute resolution, employment and human rights; ii) Legal Self Assessment and Learning Tool; iii) FAQs; and iv) Ask a Law Student service supervised by a lawyer.	<p><b>CONDITION:</b> Second quarterly payment contingent upon progress report, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy and Projects</p>

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
				<b>COMMENT:</b> Reduction of \$5,000 from 2020 grant.
PeerNet Association of British Columbia	\$10,000	Peer - Based Capacity Building Initiative	Strategically supports the capacity building of multiple networks and partners via trainings, intergenerational mentorship, and hosting practices using anti-oppressive, equitable, and decolonizing values.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of second payment (50%) of grant contingent on revised program deliverables to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy and participation in process convened by City's Social Policy Grants Team.
PovNet Society	\$20,000	PovNet Capacity Building	PovNet builds capacity by providing tools that facilitate communication, networking, and access to information around poverty-related issues for frontline workers, marginalized communities and the public.	
Sam Sullivan Disability Foundation	\$25,000	Network of Organizations serving Persons with Disabilities	A cross-disability network/coalition to support collective efforts towards the advancement of accessibility and inclusion through recommendations from all relevant stakeholders, and to benefit all persons with disabilities in Vancouver.	<b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year. Exception to eligibility criteria approved by Managing Director of Social Policy and Projects.
Street Corner Media Foundation	\$20,000	Speakers Bureau	A public awareness program connecting institutions with speakers who have lived experience of drug use and overdose prevention. This project exists to build understanding and fuel compassionate, effective, and evidence-based responses to the overdose crisis.	



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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
VanCity Community Foundation	\$20,000	BC Poverty Reduction Coalition: Building Equity in Engagement and Dismantling Systems of Oppression: Civic Engagement and Anti-Oppression Capacity Building Leadership Initiative	An in-depth anti-oppression capacity building initiative among the over 100 agencies of the Coalition + leadership and civic engagement training for Indigenous and racialized communities in poverty who work with Coalition agencies through our Community Action Network in our Equity mandate.	
VanCity Community Foundation	\$50,000	Exchange Inner City	60 stakeholders with interests in the inner city, working collaboratively with COV to implement a CED strategy to reach the goals in the DTES LAP, Healthy City Strategy and Poverty Reduction Plan by convening organizations, residents, policy makers in the DTES to collectively build a vibrant and inclusive economy.	
Vancouver Association for the Survivors of Torture	\$20,000	STRIVE: Scaling Trauma-Informed Voices with Lived Experience	Uses best practices in trauma-informed practice honed over 30 years by VAST to build capacity to serve newcomers and support staff at organizations in the broader newcomer serving sector, including government, education, employment, health, and public safety.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vancouver Community Network, The	\$5,302	VCN Technical, Helpdesk and Web Support Services	Ensures local non-profits have foundational internet services, webhosting, digital literacy, training and technical support to ensure continuation of their services while providing beneficial up-skilling and competencies for their staff.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>28</sup></b>
Vancouver Women's Health Collective Society	\$20,000	Education and Training	Delivers quality, low cost, and accessible training to individuals and organizations around a variety of topics including anti-oppression/anti-violence, trauma informed care, Intersectional Crisis Intervention, advocacy, allyship, harm reduction, & holistic health related education.	<b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year.
Vantage Point Strategies Society	\$50,000	Capacity building bursaries	Provides financial support to City-supported non-profit agencies to allow them to access Vantage Point workshops and other training/support opportunities.	
Vantage Point Strategies Society	\$39,655	Non-Profit Capacity Building Open-Enrolment Workshops	Vantage Point builds the capacity of Vancouver non-profit organizations through convening, supports and offering relevant, high-impact workshops focused on governance, leadership, planning, and human resources - lifting the capacity of the sector to provide meaningful community impact	
<b>Total = 23</b>	<b>\$770,853</b>			

<sup>28</sup> **Notification Grant:** organization is granted 50% of previous year's funding and put on notice that this is the final year of social grant funding, providing a transitional year to seek replacement sources of funding.

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Organizational Capacity Building (OCB) Grants NOT Recommended (Recommendation B)**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Family Services of Greater Vancouver	\$0	Financial Empowerment	Provides free financial literacy training workshops and support, helping individuals access government benefits and make sound financial decisions.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Hives for Humanity Society	\$0	Connecting Culture - Emerging Diverse Leadership	Consultation with Indigenous Leadership through existing relationships to deepen connection of our gardens and honeys to the land through language, story and nature. Develop capacity to hire Indigenous staff team including transitioning existing volunteer members to payroll, and hiring to management.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Network of Inner City Community Services Society	\$0	OUR PLACE: Inner City Organizational Coordination	A collaborative hub of community organizations, service providers, & residents working place-based in Vancouver's five inner city neighbourhoods to enhance participants' knowledge & capacities, & to support and coordinate interventions by individual groups to jointly & strategically address complex issues for collective impact.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

**APPENDIX B-2: OCB GRANTS NOT RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Sam Sullivan Disability Foundation	\$0	Re-Imagining What is Possible Beyond the Pandemic	Expansion of a virtual program introduced during pandemic to support social engagement among people with disabilities, and build capacity to extend and include service organizations who serve specific populations that may also support or reach people with disabilities (LGBTQ+, BIPOC, new immigrant and refugee).	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
<b>TOTAL = 4</b>				

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Organizational Capacity Building (OCB) Grants NOT Eligible (Recommendation B)**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	\$0	Community Decolonization Network	Program will advance decolonization, and renew the relationship between Indigenous peoples and non-Indigenous community groups by supporting capacity development based on the recognition of rights, respect, cooperation, and partnership.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Jewish Seniors Alliance of Greater Vancouver	\$0	Train the Trainer - Senior Peer Support	Program to Launch April 2021 to train staff in organizations who are supporting seniors or have a large senior clientele to learn how to recruit, train and support senior volunteers using the Friendly Visitor model and Friendly Phone Call Program.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Strathcona Community Safety Association	\$0	Restorative Justice in Strathcona	Project aims to develop a restorative justice (RJ) program for Strathcona as an alternative to the "traditional" Canadian justice system (where appropriate). We want to offer an alternative to calling the police to manage conflicts in the neighbourhood using RJ and Indigenous and Aboriginal informed methods and practices.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.

**APPENDIX B-3: OCB GRANTS NOT ELIGIBLE**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Westcoast Family Centres Society	\$0	Parent Education Coordinator (PEC)	Supports the development, design, implementation, facilitation, and overall coordination of family-centered educational programs, with specific focus on enhancing collaboration with local non-profit organizations to increase community outreach and accessibility.	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
<b>TOTAL = 4</b>				

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Neighbourhood Organization Grants Recommended (Recommendation C)**

*Neighbourhood Organization Grants (NOG) provide core funding to neighbourhood houses to support a wide range of programs, activities and services that support the goals of the Healthy City Strategy.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND *	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House	\$118,778	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$107,757	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	\$82,202	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	\$93,765	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Marpole Neighbourhood House	\$41,616	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	\$88,495	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	\$120,842	
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	\$121,162	
Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House Society	\$72,475	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	\$121,154	
Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society, The	\$94,265	
<b>TOTAL = 11</b>	<b>\$1,062,511</b>	

\* Allocations represent a 2% increase over 2020 grants.

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Indigenous Healing and Wellness (IH&W) Grants Recommended (Recommendation D)**

*Indigenous Healing and Wellness grants fund programs that provide traditional, spiritual and cultural healing and wellness activities to Vancouver's DTES urban Indigenous community.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Aboriginal Front Door Society, The	\$19,500	Indigenous Wellness and Training Program	Program addresses mental health and social isolation from an Indigenous perspective, with a particular focus on people experiencing homelessness.	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 3rd quarter payment subject to receipt of 2020/21 financial statements, to satisfaction of Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.
Carnegie Community Centre Association	\$20,000	Cultural Sharing Program - "q'ép with Elders"	A series of workshops aimed to promote and strengthen Indigenous traditional, cultural and healing activities daily at the Carnegie Community Centre.	<b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year.
Downtown Eastside Women's Centre Association, The	\$6,500	Indigenous Cultural Programming	Provides cultural supports to Indigenous women around multiple issues including residential school, substance use, cultural isolation and violence.	<b>NOTIFICATION GRANT<sup>29</sup></b>
Dudes Club Society	\$20,000	The Gift of Connections with our Elders and Culture	Will expand the involvement of Elders and other Traditional Knowledge Keepers in this activity-based wellness program for Indigenous men.	<b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year. <b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 3rd quarter payment subject to receipt of 2020/21 financial statements, to satisfaction of Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects.
PHS Community Services Society	\$20,000	Inclusion, Access and Honour: PHS Urban Indigenous Elder Program	Serves street-entrenched urban Indigenous people at risk of overdose to access traditional medicine and ceremony.	

<sup>29</sup> **Notification Grant:** organization is granted 50% of previous year's funding and put on notice that this is the final year of social grant funding, providing a transitional year to seek replacement sources of funding.



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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Providing Advocacy Counselling & Education Society (PACE)	\$9,000	Indigenous Sharing Circle	Open peer-led group for Indigenous sex workers and/or those who sell or trade sex - provides connection to culture through Elders, knowledge keepers, medicines, activities, and storytelling.	
RainCity Housing and Support Society	\$20,000	Indigenous Cultural Services Elders Program	Coordinates and supports Indigenous marginalized persons living in the DTES in connecting with elders, knowledge keepers, cultural teachings and ceremony.	
Urban Native Youth Association	\$20,000	Wisdom of Elders	Creates opportunities for Indigenous Elders to share their spiritual and cultural teachings with Indigenous youth, especially young women and those who are most disconnected and seeking cultural and community connection.	
Vancouver Aboriginal Community Policing Centre Society	\$20,000	Council of Grandmothers of the DTES	Provide Cultural guidance to individuals and agencies mainly in the DTES of Vancouver.	
Vancouver Native Housing Society	\$20,000	Extending Cultural Access for Urban Indigenous	Expands access to cultural practices led by Elders and other traditional knowledge keepers to women at risk, seniors and low-barrier SRO occupants across the city.	<b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year.
W.A.V.A.W./ R.C.C.: Women Against Violence Against Women/Rape Crisis Centre	\$10,000	The Elder's Services Program	Provides education, advocacy, and support to Indigenous survivors and their family members who have experienced or are at risk of experiencing sexualized violence.	

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Watari Research Association, The	\$20,000	Passages	Brings girls aged 12-16 together with Elders and knowledge keepers to engage in talking stick circles, cultural workshops, and a final Rite of Passage ceremony.	<b>COMMENT:</b> New grant this year.
WISH Drop-In Centre Society	\$15,000	Aboriginal Health & Safety Program (AHSP)	Helps Indigenous women involved in the sex trade reclaim their culture by facilitating connection to community, cultural crafts and activities, and teaching new skills related to Indigenous traditions.	
<b>TOTAL = 13</b>	<b>\$220,000</b>			

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS**  
**Indigenous Healing and Wellness (IH&W) Grants NOT Recommended (Recommendation D)**

*Indigenous Healing and Wellness grants fund programs that provide traditional, spiritual and cultural healing and wellness activities to Vancouver's DTES urban Indigenous community*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Marpole Neighbourhood House	\$0	Community Healing Blanket	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Funding was limited and other applications ranked higher in the assessment process.
Atira Women's Resource Society	\$0	Cultural Safety & Outreach Team	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Funding was limited and other applications ranked higher in the assessment process
Bloom Group Community Services Society, The	\$0	Indigenous Healing and Wellness Circle	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Funding was limited and other applications ranked higher in the assessment process.
Downtown Eastside SRO Collaborative Society	\$0	Uya'am Gaak	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Funding was limited and other applications ranked higher in the assessment process.
KAS Cultural Society	\$0	Skwxwú7mesh COVID Resilience Programs	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Funding was limited and other applications ranked higher in the assessment process.
School District No. 39 (Vancouver) - Ecole Jules Quesnel	\$0	Indigenous Healing, sculpting, and reconciliation	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Funding was limited and other applications ranked higher in the assessment process.
School District No. 39 (Vancouver) - Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary School	\$0	Begbie carving and conservation project	<b>NOT RECOMMENDED:</b> Funding was limited and other applications ranked higher in the assessment process.
<b>TOTAL = 7</b>			

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS**  
**Sustainable Food System (SFS) Grants Recommended (Recommendation E)**

*Sustainable Food System grants provide funding to non-profit organizations building sustainable food systems at neighbourhood scale.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$12,000
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	\$16,400
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	\$16,085
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	\$12,975
Association of Neighbourhood Houses DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	\$17,267
Britannia Community Services Society	\$18,475
Britannia Community Services Society - Central NFN	\$13,100
Cedar Cottage Food Network Society	\$13,400
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	\$18,475
Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House	\$12,000
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	\$16,085
Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society, The	\$17,575
Strathcona Community Centre Association (1972)	\$17,588
<b>Total = 13</b>	<b>\$201,425</b>

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS**  
**Rent Subsidy Grants Recommended (Recommendation F)**

*Rent Subsidy Grants help offset market rent for non-profits located in City of Vancouver Property Endowment Fund premises.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	AGENCY LOCATION	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Dugout Drop-In Centre Society, The	\$9,400	59 Powell Street	Provides an inclusive drop-in safe space and low cost/free meals to DTES residents.	N/A
Eastside Movement for Business and Economic Renewal Society DBA EMBERS	\$50,000	Eastside Works 57A and 57B East Hastings Street	An income generation hub in the DTES that offers assistance finding low barrier employment opportunities, access to training and support, and connections to the local workforce.	N/A
Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre	\$35,000	2772 East Broadway	Provides information, referrals, training and resources to families, individuals and organizations who are seeking the best child care and early learning.	N/A
<b>TOTAL = 3</b>	<b>\$94,400</b>			

**2020 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Hastings Legacy Fund Grants Recommended (Recommendation H)**

*Projects build the capacity of the Hastings-Sunrise neighbourhood to address and respond to local social issues and build a strong, safe and inclusive community.*

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AGENCY	2020 RECOMMEND (Remaining 75% of 2019 grant)	2020 RECOMMEND (25% of 2019 grant - approved RTS 14032 Feb 2020)	2019 GRANT	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS & CONDITIONS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia dba Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$13,500	\$4,500	\$18,000	Generating Connections: Our stories, our worlds	Supports intergenerational approaches to build a strong sense of community identity and reduce barriers to inclusion.	N/A
Hastings North Business Improvement Association	\$15,000	\$5,000	\$20,000	Sunrise Safety Team (SST)	Promotes a positive and healthy atmosphere for Hastings Sunrise businesses, customers, visitors, residents and community members.	N/A
Hastings North Area Planning Association, The	\$8,250	\$2,750	\$11,000	Community Clean Up Program (CCU)	Mobilizes and supports community volunteers to identify and restore unsafe and problematic areas through active citizen participation.	N/A

**APPENDIX G: HASTINGS LEGACY FUND - RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2020 RECOMMEND (Remaining 75% of 2019 grant)	2020 RECOMMEND (25% of 2019 grant - approved RTS 14032 Feb 2020)	2019 GRANT	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS & CONDITIONS
KidSafe Project Society, The	\$17,250	\$5,750	\$23,000	KidSafe Break Programs 2018/19 Thunderbird and Hastings Elementary Schools	Provides comprehensive services to at-risk children attending Thunderbird and Hastings Elementary schools when they are closed for winter, spring and summer breaks.	N/A
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	\$18,750	\$6,250	\$25,000	Eastside Youth Wellness	Provides direct outreach and the provision of recreational and social supports to ensure optimal health and engagement of young people.	N/A
	\$17,250	\$5,750	\$23,000	Community Small Grants	Brings together community members, organizations and businesses to host, produce and support local projects and events in Hastings Sunrise.	N/A
<b>TOTAL = 6</b>	<b>\$90,000</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>			

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Childcare Enhancement Grants Recommended (Recommendation I)**

*Civic Childcare Enhancement Grants are intended to support the quality and affordability of licensed programs, ensuring access to those families most in need of support.*

1	2	3	4	5
AGENCY	CHILDCARE PROGRAM	2021 RECOMMEND	2021 TOTAL CAPACITY	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Aboriginal Mother Centre Society	Aboriginal Mother Centre Daycare	\$26,842	25 Group child care 30 Mths to School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House	Beaconsfield Out of School Care	\$18,790	35 School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House	Queen Alexandra Out of School Care	\$13,421	25 School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House	Dickens Out Of School Care	\$21,474	40 School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House Kidsworld School Age Care	\$27,000	76 School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House Nootka Group Care	\$26,842	50 School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House Satellite Day Care	\$27,000	12 Group Under 36 Mths; 25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	Gordon Neighbourhood House Out of School Care Program	\$21,474	40 (30 Mths to School-aged)	



**APPENDIX H-1: CHILDCARE ENHANCEMENT GRANTS - RECOMMENDED**

1	2	3	4	5
AGENCY	CHILDCARE PROGRAM	2021 RECOMMEND	2021 TOTAL CAPACITY	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House Kid's Peak Daycare	\$21,474	20 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House Before and After School Care	\$23,621	44 School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House Daycare	\$17,179	16 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	South Van. Neighbourhood House Poppins Preschool and Out Of School Care	\$27,000	20 Preschool - 40 School-aged	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	South Van. Neighbourhood House Waverly Out of School Care	\$16,105	30 School-aged	
Brant Villa Daycare Society	Learning Tree Day Care	\$26,842	25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Britannia Community Services Centre, The	Britannia Preschool	\$7,086	20 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Britannia Community Services Centre, The	Grandview Terrace Child Care Centre and Out Of School Care	\$27,000	25 Group 30 Mths to School Age; 50 School-aged	
Britannia Community Services Centre, The	Britannia Out Of School Care	\$27,000	70 School-aged	
Britannia Community Services Centre, The	Eagles Out Of School Care and Eagles Daycare	\$27,000	25 Group 30 Mths to School Age; 40 School-aged	
Britannia Community Services Centre, The	Mt. Pleasant Child Care Society	\$27,000	12 Group Under 36 Mths; 25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	Sarah House Early Learning and Care Centre	\$26,842	25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	

**APPENDIX H-1: CHILDCARE ENHANCEMENT GRANTS - RECOMMENDED**

1	2	3	4	5
AGENCY	CHILDCARE PROGRAM	2021 RECOMMEND	2021 TOTAL CAPACITY	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	Grenfell School Age Child Care Centre	\$17,179	32 Group School-aged	
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	Duke Street Early Learning and Care Centre	\$27,000	32 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	Kiwassa Longhouse Out of School Care	\$17,716	33 Group School-aged	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	Kiwassa Variety Club Day Care	\$26,842	25 Group Day Care	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	Kiwassa Out Of School Care	\$9,663	18 Group School-aged	
Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	Little Mountain Child Development Centre (LMCDC)	\$16,105	15 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	Little Mountain Out of School Care	\$27,000	68 School-aged	
Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	Timberwolves Out of School Care	\$10,737	20 School-aged	<b>CONDITION:</b> Release of 2 <sup>nd</sup> 50% of grant contingent on update on new program location to the satisfaction of the Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects
McGregor Child Care Society	McGregor Child Care Centre	\$27,000	12 Group Under 36 Mths; 25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Ray-Cam Community Centre Association	Ray-Cam Daycare; Raymur Place Daycare; Ray-Cam Out of School	\$27,000	40 Group 30 Mths to School-aged; 55 School-aged	
Shannon Day Care Society, The	Shannon Day Care	\$27,000	10 Group 18 Mths-36 Mths; 15 Group 3 Years to School-aged	
South Vancouver Family Place Society	Kids Care Preschool	\$10,630	30 Preschool	
Strathcona Community Centre Association (1972)	Strathcona Community Centre Out of School Care	\$27,000	174 School-aged	

**APPENDIX H-1: CHILDCARE ENHANCEMENT GRANTS - RECOMMENDED**

1	2	3	4	5
AGENCY	CHILDCARE PROGRAM	2021 RECOMMEND	2021 TOTAL CAPACITY	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Strathcona Community Centre Association (1972)	Strathcona Community Centre Preschool and Out of School	\$27,000	40 Preschool	
Sunset Child Care Society	Sunset Child Care Society	\$26,842	25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Sunset Community Association	Sexsmith Elementary	\$25,769	48 Group Child Care School-aged	
Sunset Community Association	Sunset Preschool and Out of School Care	\$12,884	24 Group Child Care School Aged	
Sunset Community Association	Sunset Early Learning Day Program	\$17,179	16 Group Child Care - 30 mnths to School Age	
Thunderbird Neighbourhood Association	Thunderbird Neighbourhood Out of School Care 1 & 2 and Thunderbird Preschool	\$23,192	20 Preschool; 30 School-aged	
YMCA of Greater Vancouver, The	Woodward's Children's Centre	\$27,000	37 Group Under 36 Mths	
YMCA of Greater Vancouver, The	Bob & Kay Ackles YMCA Nanook House	\$27,000	12 Group Under 36 months; 25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Young Women's Christian Association DBA YWCA	Citygate Early Learning and Care Centre	\$26,842	25 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
Young Women's Christian Association DBA YWCA	Emma's Early Learning and Care Centre	\$27,000	28 Group Under 36 Mths	
Young Women's Christian Association DBA YWCA	YWCA Crabtree Corner Early Learning and Care Centre	\$27,000	12 Group Under 36 Mths; 12 Group 30 Mths to School-aged	
<b>TOTAL = 44</b>		<b>\$995,572</b>	<b>1,773 Licensed Spaces</b>	

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS**  
**Childcare Enhancement Grants NOT Recommended (Recommendation H)**

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AGENCY	CHILDCARE PROGRAM	2021 RECOMMEND	2021 TOTAL CAPACITY	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Montessori Day Care Society	Montessori Daycare	\$0	25 Group child care 30 Mths to School-aged	<b>COMMENT:</b> Application did not meet program eligibility criteria.
West End Community Centre Association	Coal Harbour Kids Care	\$0	35 School-aged	<b>COMMENT:</b> application withdrawn.

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
Childcare Administration Grants Recommended (Recommendation J)**

*Childcare Administration grants fund the basic infrastructure that is integral to developing and maintaining a viable, effective, high quality childcare system in Vancouver. Grants are provided annually to the Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre (WCCRC) and the Vancouver Society of Child Care Centres (VSOCC).*

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AGENCY	2020 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre (WCCRC)	\$252,000	City-Wide Supports for Early Learning and Child Care	Supports City-wide early learning and care, information, training and referral services.	
Vancouver Society of Children's Centres (VSOCC)	\$124,000	Administration of City-owned Childcare Facilities	Supports administration and management of City-owned childcare facilities in high density developments in the downtown core.	<b>CONDITION:</b> release of Q3 payment contingent on receipt of report from VSOCC to end of Q2 demonstrating progress in increasing access to childcare spaces by low income families, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy & Projects.
<b>TOTAL = 2</b>	<b>\$376,000</b>			

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS  
 COVID Recovery Grants Recommended (Recommendation M)**

*COVID Recovery Grants support work assisting populations experiencing the most severe effects of the pandemic.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Watari Research Association, The	<b>\$35,000</b>	Moccasin Mafia	Vancouver-wide outreach program to reach Indigenous people whose isolation has been exacerbated by the pandemic. Peers provide support to those experiencing homelessness during the evening when most services are closed.	N/A
Watari Research Association, The	<b>\$20,000</b>	Undocumented Migrant & Newcomer Support	Support for community around housing, food, COVID safety supplies.	N/A
<b>TOTAL = 2</b>	<b>\$55,000</b>			

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS**  
**School Food Program Grants Recommended (Recommendation N)**

*School food program grants provide access to healthy foods for school-aged children in Vancouver schools.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	2020 GRANT
Vancouver School Board	\$332,000	\$320,000
Strathcona Community Centre Association (1972)	\$84,000	\$81,600
Fresh Roots Urban Farm Society	\$58,280	\$57,400
<b>TOTAL = 3</b>	<b>\$474,280</b>	<b>\$459,000</b>

**2021 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS**  
**Greenest City Grants Recommended (Recommendation O)**

*Greenest City Grants support projects that help advance climate action and equity in Vancouver.*

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Latincouver Cultural & Business Society	\$42,000	Latino Climate Action	This project seeks to increase climate emergency awareness and sustainability literacy within the Latino community in Vancouver to incentivize behavioural change that supports cross-generational climate action by involving newcomers, BIPOC, youth, adults, and elders. The project will encompass a series of workshops, mentorships, and online content around different perspectives on our relationship with nature and our responsibility in climate change mitigation.
Still Moon Arts Society	\$40,000	Shedding Light on Still Creek: Community led Beaconsfield Wetland and Ecosystem Connection Project	A 2-year community engaged wetland project in Beaconsfield Park, improving inclusive participation and equity within ongoing Still Creek watershed enhancements. The project will increase ecosystem resilience; mitigate flooding; increase water quality; improve biodiversity; and build access to natural spaces for local residents of the Still Creek watershed.
UBC Collaborative for Advanced Landscape Planning (CALP) (UBC)	\$34,000	Cool 'Hood Champs: Empowering, Coordinating, & Scaling Up Neighbourhood Climate Action	The Cool 'Hood Champs 2-year project will empower Vancouver's most vulnerable community members to take climate actions in their neighbourhoods and build resilience to climate risk. The Champs Coordinator will support local action plans and link Champs to City policy-makers to help achieve the Climate Emergency Action Plan goals.
Vancouver Food Runners Society	\$32,000	Food Donor Expansion Project	This project will increase food donors from 120 to 225, in order to rescue over 350,000 pounds of food and mitigate over 127,333 pounds of CO2 emissions. The project focuses on recruitment, a food donor database, partnership work with Food Stash and Rethink2gether, and ongoing community/media work to shift the culture around food "waste" among businesses in Vancouver.
West Side Family Place Society	\$42,000	First Steps to a Healthy Climate	Babies for Climate Action (B4CA) will work with the Five Family Place Partnership to create innovative climate programming for families with



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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
			young children taking their First Steps to a Healthy Climate. “First Steps” will provide education, community building, and hope to those most impacted by climate change through in-person and online community programs, and resource development. Grounded in principles of a just and green recovery, this grassroots program aims to create equitable and accessible climate action engagement to meet the needs of our diverse city.
Working Group on Indigenous Food Sovereignty (UBC)	\$41,065	A Just Transition - Restoring Indigenous Foodlands	This project will include developing BIPOC programming to mobilize decolonizing food systems knowledge and networks to support the restoration of Indigenous foodlands in Strathcona Park, and advocating for a corridor of green spaces to increase food security, access to nature, and mitigate impacts of climate change.
Vancouver Foundation	\$45,000	Administration - Greenest City Neighbourhood Small Grants Program	The City’s Sustainability Group partners with the Vancouver Foundation to administer the Greenest City Neighbourhood Small Grant program.
<b>TOTAL = 7</b>	<b>\$276,065</b>		

**2021 GREENEST CITY GRANTS  
Greenest City Grants NOT Recommended (Recommendation O)**

1	2	3	4
AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROJECT NAME	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Be the Change Earth Alliance	\$0	Youth for Climate Action (Y4CA)	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Binners' Project	\$0	Social Enterprise Program	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Canada Wild Arts Society	\$0	UNINTERRUPTED-VR Vancouver 2021	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Canadian Society Promoting Environmental Conservation	\$0	Textile Lab for Circularity	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Chinese Community Library Services Association	\$0	The Chinese Community Library Services Association Revitalization Project	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
CityHive	\$0	Envirolab: Engaging and Equipping Youth for Climate Action	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
CityReach Care Society	\$0	Food for Families	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Collingwood Neighbourhood House	\$0	Indigenous Food Sovereignty & Climate Action	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Ecotrust Canada	\$0	Scoping Collaborative Natural Climate Solutions for the City of Vancouver	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Farm to School BC Vancouver Area	\$0	Farm to School BC Vancouver Area	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.

**APPENDIX L-2: GREENEST CITY GRANTS NOT RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROJECT NAME	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
(F2SVA) Regional Hub		Indigenous Foodscapes Project	
Food Stash Foundation	\$0	Pedal to Plate: Building an equitable and sustainable food system	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Fraser Riverkeeper Society	\$0	Vancouver Water Monitoring Program	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$0	YES CHEF	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Gordon Neighbourhood House	\$0	Deeper Roots	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Habitat for Humanity	\$0	The Rebuild Hub	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Japanese Community Volunteers Association, The	\$0	Our Green Edible Roots Project	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Kickstand Community Bikes Society	\$0	Expanding community access to sustainable active transportation	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Lettuce Harvest Foundation	\$0	Community Farmyards Expansion	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Light House	\$0	Building Resilience - Workshops	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Museum of Vancouver	\$0	Climate Action and Reconciliation Environments (CARE)	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.

**APPENDIX L-2: GREENEST CITY GRANTS NOT RECOMMENDED**

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AGENCY	2021 RECOMMEND	PROJECT NAME	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Refarmers	\$0	Vancouver Urban Food Forest	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Relay Education	\$0	Green Collar Careers - Vancouver Expansion and Mentorship	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Science World	\$0	Science World Rainwater Collection	NOT RECOMMENDED: Proposal does not meet eligibility criteria
SMI Film Society	\$0	Using Impact Films to Change Our Food System	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Society Le Village	\$0	Accessible collective community garden - Le Village	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	\$0	BioCYCLE: Greener SYNC (Systems, Youth, N' Communities)	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Stanley Park Ecology Society	\$0	Climate Action in Stanley Park	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
<b>TOTAL = 27</b>	<b>\$0</b>		

## **Policy Framework**

Remaining true to the purposes and priorities established in 1978, today's Social Policy grants statement of intent reads:

*Healthy City grants are investments that contribute to a healthy city for all. They support non-profit community-based services that facilitate the physical, spiritual, mental and emotional well-being of people, and:*

- *Are co-developed and governed collaboratively with and by the communities and individuals they serve;*
- *Respond to dynamic community needs;*
- *Reduce the impact of systemic factors that create conditions of vulnerability;*
- *Facilitate partnerships and networks between the city, other levels of government, business; and,*
- *Inform and respond to Council priorities.*

## **Principles**

1. **Accountability:** We embrace ongoing feedback loops with partners to understand City investments and how they influence change.
2. **Equity and Inclusion:** We strive to build equity in our communities by making grant processes accessible, especially for groups that experience exclusion.
3. **Transparency:** We are open, transparent, and consistent with our grant making processes.
4. **Informed Decision-Making:** We inform our grant making using evidence-based research, and consider all data sources, both formal and informal.
5. **Balanced Investment Approach:** We balance short, medium and long-term investments so that, while addressing immediate concerns, we never lose sight of our goal of effecting lasting systems change.
6. **Diversity and Reconciliation:** Our grants recognize the unique strengths of our many diverse communities by fostering relationships, helping heal the past, and moving forward with shared understanding and respect – working within the context of Vancouver as the unceded homeland of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.
7. **Strategic Alignment:** Our grants demonstrate alignment with Healthy City Strategy goals and related initiatives.
8. **Partnerships:** Our relationships with our community and funding partners are based on trust, respect and transparency.

**CRITERIA - SOCIAL POLICY and OTHER GRANTS:  
Eligibility and Restrictions**

*(Grants are listed in order of Recommendations on pages 1-2 of this report)*

**Basic Organization Eligibility for All Grants**

An organization must:

- Be a registered non-profit society, community service co-op or social enterprise wholly owned by a non-profit and in good standing with the Registrar of Companies; OR be a registered charity, in good standing with the Canadian Revenue Agency; OR a First Nations Band;
- Have an independent, active governing body composed of volunteers. The by-laws must have provisions that no Board director can be remunerated for serving as a director and that no staff member can be a voting member of the board or executive;
- The organization must demonstrate accommodation, welcomeness and openness to people of all ages, abilities, sexual orientation, gender identities (including trans\*, gender-variant and two-spirit people), ethnicities, cultural backgrounds, religions, languages, under-represented communities and socio-economic conditions in its policies, practices and programs, except in instances where the exclusion of some group is required for another group to be effectively targeted;
- The Organization must be in compliance with the [Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms](#) and the [British Columbia Human Rights Code](#).
- Have the demonstrated functional capacity and sufficient resources to deliver the programs to which the City is being asked to contribute;
- Show costs that are reasonable and on par with other similar programs; and,
- Deliver the funded program in Vancouver to Vancouver residents.

Exceptions to the above may be approved at the discretion of the Managing Director of Social Policy & Projects.

**Direct Social Services (DSS) Grants: Recommendation A**

*Direct Social Services grants reinforce the Healthy City Strategy by supporting the provision of services and/or programs which are designed to address specific current social problems and issues, thereby reducing conditions that cause residents of Vancouver to experience vulnerability.*

- Organization must meet all basic eligibility requirements;
- City funding is only for services and/or programs which directly address specific social problems and/or issues; and

**Ineligible Programs**

- Those which fall wholly or primarily within the mandate of other government departments, e.g.(but not limited to):

- Direct healthcare programs (such as health self-help groups, health information programs, medical treatment, maintenance or rehabilitation programs);
- Employment training;
- Initial settlement programs.
- Direct welfare supports, including food banks, meal programs and provision of clothing;
- Housing;
- One-on-one counselling with licensed psychologists, social workers or registered clinical counsellors;
- Programs which are primarily recreational (formal recreation programs such as clubs or teams), or educational (formal education leading to a credential);
- Travel expenses, attendance at, or fees for, conferences, workshops or other forms of training;
- Delivery of conferences;
- Transportation expenses, except those that allow users or potential users to access services;
- Legal fees;
- Payment of: City property taxes; capital expenses, operating or capital deficits;
- Act in the capacity of a funding body for, or make grants to any other group or organization;
- Programs directed to the preservation of any particular ethnic or cultural heritage, except in instances for Reconciliation initiatives;
- Time-limited projects (three years or less), or programs in the developmental or formative stage (18 months of operation or less);
- Research.

Organizations receiving a Direct Social Services grant may provide one or more of the programs noted above, but the City's grant cannot be used to support those activities. Exceptions to the above may be approved at the discretion of the Managing Director of Social Policy & Projects.

**Organizational Capacity Building (OCB) Grants: Recommendation B**

*Organizational Capacity Building grants support the Healthy City Strategy by providing funding to non-profit organizations to help build leadership, governance and strategic planning in the non-profit sector.*

Organizations must:

- Meet all basic eligibility criteria;
- Be developing organizational capacity in other city of Vancouver serving social service organizations by providing one or more of the following:
  - Increasing the amount of resources available (e.g. access to centralized information and referral, volunteer recruitment and coordination); OR
  - Improving the utilization of resources (e.g. assistance to become computerized and internet competent); OR
  - Improving the management and allocation of resources (e.g. skills enhancement training and experiences, the development of support models for staff, Board and society members); OR

- Providing linkages and coordination among a number of non-profit social service agencies operating a hub model service centre;
- Have a primary purpose and mandate to support other non-profit agencies to improve their ability to deliver social services, address social issues and navigate change;
- Deliver the funded program in Vancouver to Vancouver social service organizations.

**Neighbourhood Organization (NOG) Grants: Recommendation C**

*Neighbourhood Organization Grants (NOG) provide core funding to neighbourhood houses to support a wide range of programs, activities and services that support the goals of the Healthy City Strategy.*

- Organization must meet all basic eligibility criteria;
- Be primarily serving and working with the residents of the neighbourhood in which it is located;
- Be providing a range of neighbourhood-based social services and ensuring, through coordination and collaboration, that such services are provided;
- Be actively involving neighbourhood residents in issue advocacy, community development, and community capacity building;
- Be actively engaged in ensuring that the Guiding Principles (working together, inclusion, participation) provide the primary direction for the work and functioning of the whole organization;
- Must ensure that funding from the City is only used for core staff expenses; and
- Must securing matching funding (at least 1/3) for core staff costs from other sources.

**Indigenous Healing and Wellness (IHAW) Grants: Recommendation D**

*Indigenous Healing and Wellness grants fund programs that provide traditional, spiritual and cultural healing and wellness activities to Vancouver's urban Indigenous community.*

- Organization must meet all basic eligibility criteria;
- The program must achieve a minimum of 1:1 leverage from other sources, which can include support from other funders and/or institutions, as well as staff time, space and material donated or provided by other organizations to support the project;
- The program for which funding is being sought must be located in Vancouver or, if not, must demonstrate it is primarily serving residents of Vancouver;
- A significant percentage of the people to be supported through the grant activities must be Indigenous;
- The program for which funding is being sought must have been in existence for a minimum of 18 months prior to the application; and
- A minimum of 80% of the City grant must be spent on honorariums, contracts or salaries for traditional knowledge keepers (compensation for services must be reasonable and on par with similar programs).



**Sustainable Food Systems (SFS) Grants: Recommendation E**

*Sustainable Food System grants provide funding to non-profit organizations building sustainable food systems at neighbourhood scale.*

- Organization must meet all basic eligibility criteria; and,
- The funded services or programs must aim to overcome systemic challenges and barriers in the food system such as food access, diversity of voices and inclusion, and resilience.

**Rent Subsidies: Recommendation F**

*Rent Subsidy Grants help offset market rent for non-profits located in City of Vancouver Property Endowment Fund premises.*

- Organization must meet all basic eligibility criteria; and
- Must be located in rented City of Vancouver Property Endowment Fund premises.

**Childcare Enhancement Grants: Recommendation I**

*Childcare Enhancement grants fund licensed, group childcare, preschool, school-aged care and occasional childcare programs that serve primarily high-need families. The grant is to support the quality and affordability of licensed programs to ensure access to those families most in need of the support. Funds are to be used for program enhancement and not capital expenditures.*

Eligible objectives are:

- Assisting programs serving low and modest income families to reduce parent fees;
- Strengthening coordinated administration through the community hub model;
- Providing a food supplement program (e.g., hot lunch and breakfast); and,
- Enhancing staff ratios to better serve high-need children.

Organizations must meet all basic eligibility criteria; and

- Monthly fees may not be greater than 2.5% above the previous year's city-wide average, as determined by the Westcoast Childcare Resource Centre Society's fee surveys. Any fee increase must be consistent with the guidelines of the Province's Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative.
- If applying for a grant for an infant/toddler and/or 3-5 year childcare program, MUST have opted-in to the Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative funded by the Province of British Columbia;
- Serve a high need, 'at risk' population or neighbourhood as determined through census information and Early Development Instrument (EDI) data;
- and
- Demonstrate a need for the funding through program budgets and financial statements.

**Childcare Administration Grants: Recommendation J**

*Childcare Administration grants fund the basic infrastructure that is integral to developing and maintaining a viable, effective, high quality childcare system in Vancouver. Grants are provided annually to the Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre (WCCRC) and the Vancouver Society of Child Care Centres (VSOCC).*

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**Greenest City Grants: Recommendation O**

*Greenest City Grants supports projects that help achieve Vancouver's Greenest City goals to become the greenest city in the world by 2020.*

- Applicants are registered BC societies, charitable organizations, or other qualified organizations;
- Project work must primarily serve Vancouver residents in the City of Vancouver and begin immediately following funding;
- Projects must support the Greenest City Action Plan targets and/or policy address City of Vancouver strategies such as the Renewable City Strategy, Climate Change Adaptation plan or Healthy City Strategy;
- Grants may cover up to 50% of the project's budget, to a maximum of \$100,000 (the typical grant amount is expected to be between \$35,000 and \$45,000).
- Projects may be one to three years in length.
- Funds will not be awarded for land acquisition or large-scale capital costs or exclusive university-led research.
- Eligible projects include proposals that address project-based work, programming, advocacy, research (e.g. gap analysis or needs assessment), stakeholder interest, technology testing, business case development or other activities needed to solidify the feasibility of the opportunity