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TO: Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
FROM: General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services
SUBJECT: 2025 Community Services and Other Grants

Recommendations

Operating and Capital Grants

- A. THAT Council approve eight Social Innovation Project (SIP) Anti-Black Racism Grants, totalling \$100,000, from the 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix A-1 for the amounts recommended for each organization in the "2025 Recommend" column.
- B. THAT Council approve one School Food Grant of \$325,000 from the 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating budget (\$20,000) and the 2025 Social Policy & Projects Operating Budget (\$305,000) to the Board of Education School District No. 39 Vancouver dba The Vancouver School Board, subject to the conditions outlined in Appendix B.
- C. THAT Council approve six One-Time Project Grants totalling \$220,283 from the 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix C-1 for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2025 Recommend" column;

FURTHER THAT Council approve the reallocation of \$30,000 previously approved from the 2024 Social Policy Grants Operating budget as described in Appendix C-2, to the organization listed in Appendix C-2.

- D. THAT Council approve two Childcare Operating Grants through 2 grant streams totalling \$43,916 from the 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating budget – Childcare, to the organizations listed in Appendix D-1 and D-2, for the amounts recommended for each organization in the "2025 Recommend" column;

FURTHER THAT Council approve the reallocation of \$22,000 previously approved from the 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating budget – Childcare as described in Appendix D-4, to the organization listed in Appendix D-4.

- E. THAT Council approve three Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants totalling \$55,525 from the 2025 Social Policy Capital Grants budget to the organizations listed in Appendix E-1 for the amounts recommended for each organization in the "2025 Recommend" column.
- F. THAT Council approve three Childcare Small Capital Grants totalling \$150,000 from the 2025 Small Capital Grants for Non-City Owned Childcare budget (\$50,000) to the organizations listed in Appendix F-1, and from the 2025 Social Infrastructure Grants - Climate budget (\$100,000) to the organizations listed in Appendix F-2, for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2025 Recommend" column.
- G. THAT Council approve two School Aged Care Expansion Capital Grants totalling \$54,735 from the 2025 ACCS School Aged Expansion Grants budget to the organizations listed in Appendix G for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2025 Recommend" column.
- H. THAT Council approve one Building Safer Communities Program (BSCP) Youth Engagement Project Grant of \$10,000, to the organization listed in Appendix H. Source of funds is the federal Building Safer Communities Program Fund from Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada.
- I. THAT Council approve one grant of \$60,000 to Good Night Out Vancouver Association as described in Appendix I from the 2025 Social Policy & Projects Operating Budget.
- J. THAT Council approve, in advance of the 2026 operating budget, one grant of \$6,379,789 to Vancouver Coastal Health Authority (VCH) as described in Appendix J from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget, to continue implementation of VCH's *Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Framework Program*.
- K. THAT Council approve one grant of \$270,000 to Atira Women's Resource Society as described in Appendix K, to support continuation of the Oppenheimer Park Field House Washroom Monitoring Program through December 31, 2026. Source of funds is the 2025 General Government Operating budget.

Other Applicable Recommendations

- L. THAT, pursuant to Section 206(1)(j) of the *Vancouver Charter*, Council deems any organization listed in Appendix A to K of this report that is not otherwise a registered charity with Canada Revenue Agency to be contributing to the health and welfare of the City.
- M. THAT Council delegate its authority to the General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services to negotiate and execute agreements to disburse the grants described in Recommendations A to K on the terms and conditions set out herein or such other terms and conditions as are satisfactory to the General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services and the Director of Legal Services.
- N. THAT no legal rights or obligations will arise or be created by Council's adoption of these Recommendations unless and until all legal documentation has been executed and delivered by the respective parties.

Recommendations A to K require 2/3 affirmative votes of all Council members under section 206(1) of the Vancouver Charter.

Purpose and Executive Summary

This report seeks Council approval to implement a variety of operating and capital grants in alignment with City priorities, including:

- A total of \$7,460,988 disbursed through 21 grants (and 2 grant re-allocations) to Vancouver Coastal Health Authority and to community social service organizations to enable the sector to provide critical programs and services to Vancouver residents;
- A total of \$260,260 disbursed through 8 capital grants to community organizations for social and childcare space improvements.

Table 1: Summary of Grant Recommendations in this Report

GRANT STREAM	REC.	GRANT PROGRAM	NO. OF GRANTS	TOTAL \$\$ RECOMMENDED	TOTAL \$\$ REQUESTED	APPENDIX
Community Services	A	Social Innovation Project (SIP) Anti-Black Racism Grants	8	\$100,000	\$241,163	A-1
	B	School Food Grant	1	\$325,000	\$325,000	B
	C	One-Time Project Grants	6	\$220,283 ¹	\$220,283	C-1
Subtotal			15	\$645,283	\$786,446	
Childcare	D	Neighbourhood Access Grant	1	\$11,716	\$11,716	D-1
		Childcare Project Grants	1	\$32,200 ²	\$35,250	D-2
Subtotal			2	\$43,916	\$46,966	
Capital	E	Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants	3	\$55,525	\$108,062	E-1
	F	Childcare Small Capital Grants	3	\$150,000	\$150,000	F-1, F-2
	G	School Age Care Expansion Capital Grants	2	\$54,735	\$54,735	G
Subtotal			8	\$260,260	\$312,797	
Building Safer Communities Program	H	BSCP Youth Engagement Project Grants	1	\$10,000	\$10,000	H
Subtotal			1	\$10,000	\$10,000	
Other Grants	I	Good Night Out Vancouver Association	1	\$60,000	\$60,000	I
	J	Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Program	1	\$6,379,789	\$6,379,789	J

¹ This total amount does not include the reallocation of \$30,000 recommended in Appendix C-2.

² This total amount does not include the reallocation of \$22,000 recommended in Appendix D-4.

GRANT STREAM	REC.	GRANT PROGRAM	NO. OF GRANTS	TOTAL \$\$ RECOMMENDED	TOTAL \$\$ REQUESTED	APPENDIX
	K	Oppenheimer Park Field House Washroom Monitoring Program	1	\$270,000	\$270,000	K
Subtotal			3	\$6,709,789	\$6,709,789	
GRAND TOTAL			29	\$7,669,248	\$7,865,998	

Council Authority/Previous Decisions

Please see Appendix L for Council Authority and Previous Decisions.

City Manager's Comments

The City Manager concurs with the foregoing recommendations.

Context and Background

Guided by direction from Vibrant Vancouver: City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023-2026 (detailed in Appendix M) and the City's long-range social sustainability plan, the Healthy City Strategy, the Social Policy and Projects grants programs support the delivery of social services and childcare programs across Vancouver through non-profit partners.

The non-profit sector continues to face mounting pressure in multiple areas. Significant increases in the levels of demand for services across the province and rising operational costs and decreasing levels of support from various levels of government and other funders, has created precarity for NPOs and has also increased demand for the City's grant programs.

Discussion

This report seeks Council approval for a range of investments designed to strengthen the supports available to Vancouver residents and those of equity-deserving groups.

Descriptions of each grant stream and relevant context for the recommendations have been included in the Appendices. Should Council approve the recommendations, highlights include:

- **Social Innovation Project Grants:** this year marks the final year of a pilot three-year cycle of organizational capacity funding for Black-led and Black-serving organizations. Staff will review the pilot's outcomes and lessons learned, documenting key insights to guide next steps. *(Recommendation A)*
- **School Food Program support:** a grant will allocate resources to fully restore VSB school food programs for the 2025/26 school year, in response to direction received through Council Members' Motion on [May 7, 2025](#). *(Recommendation B)*
- **Key projects for community:** one-time project grants will enable non-profit organizations to address Council and community priorities. *(Recommendation C)*
- **Creating new childcare spaces:** operating and capital grants will aid in the creation of 108 new childcare spaces. *(Recommendations D and G)*
- **Health and safety upgrades:** capital grants will support renovations to enhance functionality, safety, and resilience during weather events at social service and childcare facilities. *(Recommendations E, F and G)*

- **Address emerging needs:** two grants are supporting the City's partners in providing priority services, i.e., the Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Program, and Oppenheimer Park Field House Washroom Monitoring Program in the Downtown Eastside. (*Recommendations J and K*)

Financial Implications

Funding for grant recommendations totalling \$7,669,248 and the remaining budgets are summarized in Tables 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, below, according to funding source.

Table 2: Financial Overview of Recommended Grant Streams and Remaining Balances
Source: **2025 Operating and Capital Budgets**

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of funding	2025 Budget	Previously Approved	Rec'd in this Report	Balance
A, B, C	Community Services Grants, School Food Grants, One-Time Projects Grants	Social Policy Grants Operating Budget	\$6,719,484	\$6,379,201	\$340,283	\$0
D	Neighbourhood Access Grant, Childcare Project Grants	Social Policy Grants Operating Budget – Childcare	\$2,439,496	\$1,653,097	\$43,916	\$742,483 ³
E	Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants	Social Policy Grants Capital Budget	\$540,318	\$220,010	\$55,525	\$264,783 ⁴
F	Childcare Small Capital Grants	Small Capital Grants for Non-City Owned Childcare Budget	\$127,193 ⁵	\$60,407	\$50,000	\$16,786 ⁴
		Social Infrastructure Grants - Climate	\$756,116	\$259,483	\$100,000	\$396,633 ⁴
G	School Aged Care Expansion Capital Grants	ACCS School Aged Expansion Grants	\$246,653	\$34,221	\$54,735	\$157,697 ⁴
TOTAL			\$10,829,260	\$8,606,419	\$644,459	\$1,578,382

³ Balance of Operating Impact of Capital funding for Childcare will be carried forward to next year to support the approved start-up costs for the opening of new childcare sites.

⁴ Capital grant streams draw from the capital budget. Remaining funds will be carried over and available for granting in 2026.

⁵ Budget figure includes \$16,431 of funds rescinded from previously approved grants prior to the November 2025 report.

Table 3: Financial Overview of Recommended Grant Streams
Source: BSCP Contribution Agreement

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of funding	BSCP Funding	Previously Approved	Rec'd in this Report	Balance
H	BSCP Youth Engagement Project Grants	Building Safer Communities Fund - Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$10,000	\$0
TOTAL			\$50,000	\$40,000	\$10,000	\$0

Table 4: Financial Overview of Recommended Grant Streams
Source: 2025 Social Policy & Projects Operating Budget

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of funding	Rec'd in this Report
B	School Food Grants	2025 Social Policy & Projects Operating Budget	\$305,000
I	Good Night Out Vancouver Association		\$60,000
TOTAL			\$365,000

Table 5: Financial Overview of Recommended Grant Streams
Source: 2026 Operating Budget

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of funding	Rec'd in this Report
J	Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Program	2026 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget	\$6,379,789
TOTAL			\$6,379,789

Table 6: Financial Overview of Recommended Grant Streams
Source: 2025 General Government Operating Budget

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of funding	Rec'd in this Report
K	Oppenheimer Park Field House Washroom Monitoring Program	2025 General Government Operating Budget	\$270,000
TOTAL			\$270,000

Legal Implications

There are no legal implications associated with this report's recommendations.

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APPENDIX A-1
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Social Policy Social Innovation Project (SIP) Grants - Recommended (Recommendation A)
Funding Source: 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget
Including Existing & New Grantees

Social Policy Social Innovation Project (SIP) Grants support one-time projects that prototype new strategies to work toward systemic change. In this pilot program, funding supports historically equity-denied Black-led and Black-serving organizations to build their internal organizational capacity to better serve Black residents of Vancouver, as per recommendations from the 2022 “Addressing Anti-Black Racism and Historic Discrimination Interim Report” (RTS 14854). This is the final year of a three-year cycle commitment. Staff will review the pilot’s outcomes and lessons learned, documenting key insights to guide next steps in alignment with Anti-Black Racism and Cultural Redress priorities.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Black Women Connect Vancouver Society	\$12,000	Empowered Black Girl Mentorship Program	The Empowered Black Girl Mentorship Program is designed to provide consistent mentorship, leadership development, and community connection for Black girls in grades 8–12 across the Lower Mainland.	

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
British Columbia Community Alliance Society	\$12,000	2025 Elevating Black Leaders Project	The program will engage a governance consultant to refine board structures and implement long-range governance strategies and undertake succession planning; as well as strengthen donor and grant stewardship practices to build sustainable funding relationships.	CONDITION: Funding will be released, subject to organization providing proof of being in good standing with the BC Registrar of Companies and/or being in good standing with the Canada Revenue Agency, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.
Ethos Lab Educational Society	\$25,000	Enhanced Communication and Relationship Development	The Enhanced Communication and Relationship Development project, focuses on building core internal capacity in outreach, governance and partnership development specifically to position Black-Leadership as a relevant and necessary voice in the conversations around AI and to engage community in these discussions.	
Great Lakes Networking Society of BC	\$10,000	Foundations for Growth	The foundations for Growth program will focus on strengthening organizational foundations through formal governance, leadership training, and the development of sustainable internal systems.	

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Hogan's Alley Society	\$5,000	Building Afrocentric Governance Capacity as a Community	The objective of this project is to equip Hogan's Alley Society and other local, Black-led organizations with a comprehensive framework, using an Afrocentric lens, to build governance capacity and to host collective learning workshops and webinars.	
Kenyan Community in BC Society	\$12,000	Black Futures Mentorship Initiative	The Black Futures Initiative will establish a structured mentorship program that connects Black youth, delivers workshops, facilitates training programs, and create a storytelling platform.	
Odihi Foundation	\$12,000	Essence of Greatness	The Essence of Greatness project will strengthen organizational capacity for more sustainable impact on Black women and girls in Vancouver. It will support training for staff, focusing on leadership development, program management, and culturally responsive delivery, to better meet the needs of the communities being served.	

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vancouver Black Therapy & Advocacy Foundation	\$12,000	Intersectional Experiences and Mental Health Data	The program will use funds to employ a Senior Research Scientist to support the organization in designing ethics policies to ensure that the organization is following best practices, specifically in relation to research ethics, resulting in more publicly accessible, published peer reviewed articles including disaggregated data on race.	
TOTAL = 8	\$100,000			

APPENDIX A-2
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Social Policy Social Innovation Project (SIP) Grants – Not Recommended

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Black Support Society	\$0	Building Backbone Capacity to Better Serve Black Communities	The program will strengthen three core capacity areas so Black Support can serve Black and African diasporic communities: organizational structure development, financial management, and strategic planning.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Malawian Association of British Columbia	\$0	Capacity Building and Strategic Mapping: Building Capacity for MABC and the African Youth Heritage Program	The program will clarify existing roles, introduce new ones such as a Community Liaison and Volunteer Coordinator, and create a volunteer Youth Coordinator position (ages 22–35) to support the African Youth Heritage Program and prepare young leaders for future governance roles.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities
Shades of YVR Creative Collective	\$0	Strengthening Organizational Capacity for Shades of YVR	The program will strengthen capacity-building initiatives, ensuring Shades of YVR can sustainably serve Vancouver's Black and African diasporic communities. The project, Strengthening Organizational Capacity for Shades of YVR, focuses on four strategic pillars: strategic planning, governance strengthening and policy development, capacity building workshops, and community engagement and fundraising.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vancouver Association for Survivors of Torture	\$0	Centering the Voices of Forcibly Displaced Black People	This project will strengthen VAST's ability to respond to the specific needs of Black and racialized communities within our broader survivor mandate. In particular, the project addresses the growing influx of refugees and migrant workers from Sudan, Sub-Saharan Africa, and Caribbean countries, many of whom are working in BC's agricultural sector under isolating and exploitative conditions.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization does not meet eligibility criteria.
TOTAL = 4	\$0			

APPENDIX B
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
School Food Grants – Recommended (Recommendation B)
Funding Source: 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget & 2025 Social Policy & Projects Operating Budget

School Food Grants provide students with nutritious meals alongside opportunities for leadership and food skills development. The sources of funding for the grant listed below are the 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating budget (\$20,000) and the 2025 Social Policy & Projects Operating budget (\$305,000).

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Board of Education School District No. 39 Vancouver, DBA The Vancouver School Board	\$325,000	Food4Schools Program	This grant will support healthy lunch programs that deliver daily meals to approximately 400 elementary school students who are experiencing food insecurity, for the 2025-2026 school year.	CONDITION: Release of funding subject to VSB commitment to pursuing alternative funding (to be further articulated in the grant agreement), to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.
TOTAL = 1	\$325,000			

APPENDIX C-1
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
One-Time Projects Grants - Recommended (Recommendation C)
Funding Source: 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget

One-Time Projects Grants support non-profit partner organizations to deliver priority activities aligned with specific Social Policy objectives, such as starting up services, priority events, and initiatives responding to new developments or opportunities.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of BC DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	\$75,000	Arbutus Neighbourhood House Start Up Project	This grant will support the start-up of Arbutus Neighbourhood House by funding staffing, community engagement, and program delivery across key areas. It will also sustain partnership development, Indigenous engagement, and ongoing evaluation to ensure ANH continues to grow responsively and in alignment with City priorities such as equity, inclusion, reconciliation, and community well-being.	COMMENT: One-time capacity building grant CONDITION: Funding will be released, subject to the conditions outlined in the Grant Agreement, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.
Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council	\$20,000	Mother's Day Pow Wow	This grant will support the planning and delivery of the annual three-day Pow Wow celebrating Indigenous women and life givers, families, cultures and community at Trout Lake.	

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Pacific Immigrant Resources Society	\$25,283	Immigrant and Refugee Women Perspectives on Licensed Recreational Childcare	This grant will support a project that focuses on immigrant and refugee women perspectives on barriers to accessing to childcare that meets their specific needs in order to enable their participation in the workforce. This project will draw on existing experiences of PIRS' Childcare Leadership Group, led by and for immigrant and refugee women, on their experiences using childcare and working in the childcare sector.	COMMENT: One-time grant CONDITION: Funding to be used for only eligible items as outlined in the Grant Agreement, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy & Projects.
Vancouver Aboriginal Health Society	\$20,000	Fathers Day Pow Wow	This grant will support the planning and delivery of the annual Father's Day Pow Wow at Britannia Community Services Centre Society.	
Vantage Point Strategies Society	\$50,000	Capacity Building Bursary Program	This grant will support the Capacity Building Bursary program, which supports non-profits receiving City of Vancouver grants in attending capacity building workshops, labs and training.	
Vantage Point Strategies Society	\$30,000	Non-Profit Collaboration Project	This grant will support the fourth phase of a project to deliver tailored coaching sessions and create resources to support Vancouver-based non-profit organizations that may be sunsetting, looking to merge or establish service sharing partnerships.	
TOTAL = 6	\$220,283			

APPENDIX C-2
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Reallocation of Multi-Year Funding Grant - Recommended (Recommendation C)

This recommendation for reallocation of \$30,000 is the result of terminating the third instalment of a Multi-Year Funding grant for Lu'ma Native Housing Society due to incomplete reporting of work completed, originally approved in 2022 (RTS 14837) that directed funds to be drawn from the 2024 Social Policy Grants Operating budget. Funding is being recommended for reallocation to the 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating budget, to be distributed to the organization listed below.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
British Columbia Centre for Ability Association	\$30,000	Expanding Virtual Training Services with Supported Child Development	This grant will support the adaptation of learning courses focused on inclusion and belonging in early childhood learning and care, for virtual delivery. This project will enable early childhood educators to enroll in and receive core education, allowing more educators to provide specialized care to children with developmental delays or disabilities, and their families, through Supported Child Development programs.	COMMENT: One-time grant CONDITION: Funding to be used for only eligible items as outlined in the Grant Agreement, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy & Projects.
TOTAL = 1	\$30,000			

APPENDIX D-1
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CHILDCARE
Neighbourhood Access Grant - Recommended (Recommendation D)
Funding Source: 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget – Childcare

Starting March 2024, both Portside and Water View Childcare Centres operated by YMCA BC, have agreements with ChildcareBC and are operated as \$10 a day childcare centres. This \$11,716 grant ensures continuity of childcare services for 10 full-time 3-5 year childcare spaces at both centres, which have been provided at no cost to low-income Downtown Eastside families.

As of September 2025, all families with children enrolled in the spaces have either aged out of the program or have secured Provincial or other assistance that covers parent fees in the two 3-5 year old programs. With both programs having transitioned to \$10 a day ChildcareBC centres, 2025 is the final year of this grant program.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
YMCA BC	\$11,716	Neighbourhood Access Grant	This funding will support making childcare spaces in the Portside and Waterview Childcare Centres at no cost for low-income families in the Downtown Eastside.	COMMENT: Final year for this grant.
TOTAL = 1	\$11,716			

APPENDIX D-2**2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CHILDCARE**

**Childcare Project Grants – Program Development (PD), Program Stabilization (PS), and
Research, Policy Development and Innovation (RPD&I) - Recommended (Recommendation D)**

Funding Source: 2025 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget – Childcare

Funding in this grant stream supports childcare projects that focus on the creation of new childcare spaces in new or existing childcare programs by non-profit organizations (PD); stabilizing current childcare providers by supporting their sustainability (PS); or research, service or policy innovations (RPD&I) in the childcare sector.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	GRANT STREAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$32,200	Program Development	This grant will support non-capital project expenses for the start-up of a new 32-space licensed school age care program located at Queen Victoria Annex.	
TOTAL = 1	\$32,200			

APPENDIX D-3
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CHILDCARE
Childcare Project Grants – Program Development (PD), Program Stabilization (PS), and
Research, Policy Development and Innovation (RPD&I) – Not Recommended

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	GRANT STREAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$0	Research, Policy Development & Innovation	This grant would support Frog Hollow Learning Centre in hiring a Pedagogy and Approach Professional, to mentor and support Early Childcare Educators (ECEs) in standalone neighbourhood childcare programs. This would support educators in engaging in reflection for implementing curriculum practices in alignment with the BC Early Learning Framework.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
TOTAL = 1				

APPENDIX D-4
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CHILDCARE
Reallocation of Childcare Program Development (PD) Grant – Recommended (Recommendation D)

This recommendation for reallocation of \$22,000 is resulting from a change to the Childcare Program Development project proposed by the Vancouver Hebrew Academy Society, for which a grant was previously approved in 2025 (RTS 17704) with conditions which were not met. Funding is being recommended for reallocation to the 2025 Social Policy Grants – Childcare budget, to be distributed to the organization listed below.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	GRANT STREAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	\$22,000	Program Development	This grant will support non-capital project expenses for the start-up of a new 32-space licensed school age care program located at Moberly Elementary School.	
TOTAL = 1	\$22,000			

APPENDIX E-1
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants - Recommended (Recommendation E)
Funding Source: Social Policy Grants Capital Budget

Social Policy Capital Grants provide support for space improvements to social facilities serving Vancouver residents who experience intersecting vulnerabilities and marginalization. The source of funding is Social Policy Grants Capital Budget.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of British Columbia	\$24,000	Space Feasibility for Crisis Centre Hub	This grant will support the Crisis Centre of BC in undertaking a comprehensive feasibility and planning study to inform the future of its facility. The project includes an updated building condition assessment, an energy efficiency review, and a space planning and feasibility analyses for both renovation and redevelopment options. This project will help plan for future accessible and efficient spaces and strengthen the Crisis Centre's capacity to meet growing demand for its essential crisis intervention and suicide prevention services.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$10,000	Síma7wi ílhen: Sunrise Community Kitchen Upgrade	This grant will support the critical infrastructure upgrades including electrical, plumbing, and building-related changes at Síma7wi ílhen: Sunrise Community Kitchen (2728 East Hastings). These upgrades are essential to bring the space to City building code compliance and to meet the VCH food premise permit requirements. This infrastructure will help ensure long-term access to fresh, preserved, and culturally	

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
			appropriate foods, supporting a more resilient and food-secure neighbourhood in the Hastings Sunrise area.	
Westcoast Family Centres Society	\$21,525	Interior Safety Door	This grant will support the creation of a new internal door that connects two office buildings at The Link (2780 E Broadway) between the Westcoast Family Centres and the Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre. This new door will improve the safety of staff and the buildings during events where evacuation is required.	
TOTAL = 3	\$55,525			

APPENDIX E-2
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants – Not Recommended

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
A Better Life Foundation	\$0	Indigenous Food and Culinary Training Program	A Better Life Foundation is applying for a small capital grant to purchase specialized cooking equipment including a mixer, smoker, and a dehydrator. The upgrades will support increased culturally relevant meal production for Indigenous community members and provide hands-on training for Indigenous youth in traditional cooking techniques.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Project does not meet eligibility criteria.
Atira Women's Resource Society	\$0	Esemkwu Security Cameras	Atira is applying for a small capital grant to purchase a security camera to install at the housing site to provide additional security to staff and program participants who are housed there.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Project does not meet eligibility criteria.
Better Not Bitter Society	\$0	Masterclass Series Program	The Better Not Bitter Society is applying for a small capital grant to support the delivery of Masterclass Series Program, including facilitator fees, rentals, training materials (handouts, workbooks), technology, marketing, etc. The Masterclass Series Program provides transformative learning opportunities that foster inclusion, equity, and community resilience.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Project does not meet eligibility criteria.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vantage Point Strategies Society	\$0	Facility Upgrades - Phase 2	Vantage Point is applying for a small capital grant to enhance workplace space with height-adjustable desks, privacy panels, a smartboard, and a monitor portable meeting booth. These upgrades will reduce barriers, support diverse learning needs, and strengthen hybrid training capacity.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Project does not meet eligibility criteria.
TOTAL = 4				

APPENDIX F-1
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Childcare Small Capital Grants - Recommended (Recommendation F)
Funding Source: Small Capital Grants Budget for Non-City Owned Childcare

Funding supports infrastructure improvements (i.e. health, safety and accessibility upgrades) for licensed childcare facilities serving Vancouver residents. The source of funding for grants listed below is Small Capital Grants for Non-City Owned Childcare Budget.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Children's Hearing & Speech Centre of BC Inc.	\$25,000	CHSC Playground Safety & Remediation Project	This grant will support the playground upgrades to improve its safety. The playground is built with large log structures which is now unsafe due to rot and erosion. A decaying tree is also impacting nearby infrastructure. The upgrades will provide children who are deaf or hard-of-hearing a safe, engaging environment that supports language, social learning, sensory regulation, and joyful connection.	
Jericho Kids' Club Child Care Society	\$25,000	Accessibility & Safety Upgrades - JKC General Gordon	This grant will support the washroom upgrades to meet licencing requirements. The upgrades replacing the deteriorating washroom flooring and two sinks with a trough to improve accessibility and efficiency. The grant will also support installing fencing around the primary playground to ensure safe access for children with learning barriers, which will enhance overall health, safety, and inclusive use for all children.	
TOTAL = 2	\$50,000			

APPENDIX F-2
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Childcare Small Capital Grants - Recommended (Recommendation F)
Funding Source: Social Infrastructure Grants - Climate

Funding supports retrofit upgrades to enhance resilience of social infrastructure and services (e.g., Family Centres, Neighbourhood Houses, daycares, youth centres, etc.). Retrofits will address near term needs related to extreme heat and air quality events in facilities predominantly used by equity-denied communities and residents. The source of funding for grants listed below is Social Infrastructure Grants – Climate (allocated from the 2023-2026 Capital Plan Mid-Term Update approved on July 23rd, 2024 – RTS 16185).

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$100,000	HVAC System for the Childcare Center at The Village Lord Nelson	This grant will support the installation of an HVAC system on a roof-top childcare center that provides 93 spaces to children aged 0 -12 including infants, preschoolers, and school-age children. This project will address the extreme heat and safety concern that the children and educators are experiencing due to the ongoing climate changes.	
TOTAL = 1	\$100,000			

APPENDIX G
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
School Aged Care Expansion Capital Grants - Recommended (Recommendation G)
Funding Source: ACCS School Aged Expansion Grants

Funding supports the creation of licensed new school aged childcare spaces for Vancouver families and children. The source of funding for the grants listed below is ACCS School Aged Expansion Grants.

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House	\$30,984	Dickens Out-of-School Care Expansion	This grant will support the expansion of its school age care capacity from 40 to 54 children by creating 14 new licensed spaces in the Dickens Out-of-School Care program. With a school population of 440 students and a Cedar Cottage Child Care waitlist of 107, this project is a vital response to the persistent shortage of child care spaces and the community's growing demand.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	\$23,751	Hudson School Age Care Expansion	This grant will support the expansion of licensed school-age childcare program operated at Hudson Elementary, from 87 to 117 spaces. Hudson Elementary currently enrolls 328 students, with the additional new 30 spaces, 35.7% of the school population will have access to school-age care, an increase from the previous 26.5% before the expansion. With a waitlist of approximately 120 children, this expansion is a much-needed step towards meeting needs in the community.	
TOTAL = 2	\$54,735			

APPENDIX H
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Building Safer Communities Program Youth Engagement Project Grants - Recommended (Recommendation H)
Funding Source: Building Safer Communities Fund - Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada
Including Existing & New Grantees

BSCP Youth Engagement Project Grants support youth-led projects that increase a sense of safety and belonging. Youth Engagement Project grants engage youth as part of the adjudication process, ensuring recommended projects are aligned with youth's needs and priorities. The Building Safer Communities Grant Program was approved by Council in 2022 ([RTS 14827](#)) and grants funds from the Building Safer Communities Fund (provided by Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada budget through a 4-year contribution agreement).

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Sacred Ties Foundation	\$10,000	"Lil Homie That I Once Knew" Anti-Gang Video production	This funding will support the production of a video for a song focused on the experience of youth gang recruitment and violence, co-created with youth affected by these issues. The production will include behind the scenes footage and feature a discussion with the artists, youth, and youth workers on the song's themes as well as what is required for meaningful change to occur.	
TOTAL = 1	\$10,000			

APPENDIX I
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
One-Time Project Grant - Recommended (Recommendation I)
Funding Source: 2025 Social Policy & Projects Operating Budget

Funding allocated to advance Community and Gender Safety priorities and City commitments in relation to large scale events (e.g. hosting FIFA World Cup 2026).

AGENCY	2025 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Good Night Out Vancouver Association	\$60,000	Gender Safety & Large Scale Sporting Events	This funding will support enhanced services for the prevention of sexual and gender-based violence during large-scale events. This includes the scoping and implementation of potential projects such as additional resources for street outreach teams in targeted areas, training and education programming, public messaging, and/or pop-up support spaces. The materials and resources will be developed so that they may also be used at future large scale events and gatherings.	COMMENT: One-time grant. CONDITION: Funding will be released subject to organization meeting conditions outlined in the grant agreement, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.
TOTAL = 1	\$60,000			

APPENDIX J
2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
One-Time Project Grant – Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Framework Program -
Recommended (Recommendation K)
Funding Source: 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget

The Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Program, led by Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH), was initiated through a Council motion on November 22, 2022 entitled [Enabling the Requisitioning and Hiring of 100 New Police Officers and 100 Mental Health Nurses](#) (Member's Motion B.5). The framework for the program was approved by Council in February 2023, and Council received a report on the program's progress on February 6, 2024, at which time a grant was approved by Council ([RTS 16098](#)) to begin implementation of Phase One of the *Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Framework*. Subsequent updates on the progress of the program implementation were presented to Council on October 23, 2024 ([RTS 16446](#)), and October 7, 2025 ([RTS 17934](#)). Council has provided grants to this program from 2023 onwards. The amount provided each year is based on budgets provided by VCH.

The *Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Framework* guides the implementation of interdisciplinary mental health crisis response services and supports through the hiring of health care workers to:

- Expand the City's police-health partnership programs;
- Create new teams to provide non-police, health-led crisis response; and,
- Strengthen crisis supports to Indigenous community members.

Program details:

- Operations Command Centre Liaison Nurse (OCCLN): Police-Health Partnership – embeds mental health nurses in the VPD operations call centre to triage calls and enables redirection of some 911 calls to VPD mental health response units (Car 87/88) and/or to non-police response teams.
- Car 87/88: Police-Health Partnership – operationalizes a model of nurses working alongside VPD officers deployed to mental health responses.
- Mobile De-Escalation Team (MoDe): Health, non-police response – receives and responds to calls from supportive housing, shelters, social service sites, Car 87/88 and the OCCLN, and provides support, connection and referral to services, and/or outreach, as appropriate.
- Indigenous Crisis Response Team (ICRT): Health, non-police response – provides Indigenous-specific wholistic non-police crisis response, to provide culturally safe mobile mental health and wellness crisis response services, with calls typically originating from other Indigenous service providers in the community.

To date, VCH has hired 41 new health workers (82% of a target of 50 FTE) and continues to recruit and deploy skilled and qualified staff, with a thoughtful and phased approach. See Tables

1 and 2 (below) for a breakdown of the forecasted number of staff for 2026 for each partnership/team, and the anticipated expenses.

Table 1. 2026 Forecast Staffing for Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Program

Staffing (in FTE)	CAR 87/88 / OCCLN	MoDe	ICRT	Total
# of Current Staff	14	18	9	41
# of Staff remaining to Hire	0	9	0	9
Total Staffing Complement	14	27	9	50

Table 2. 2026 Forecast Budget for Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Program

Budget Line Item	CAR 87/88 / OCCLN	MoDe	ICRT	Total per line
Staffing Salaries & Benefits	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 1,230,000	\$ 7,530,000
Other Non-Labour Expenses	-	-	-	\$ 421,179
Total Budget (Forecast)	\$ 2,536,000	\$3,550,000	\$1,218,000	\$ 7,951,179

As presented in Table 3, staff recommend that Council approve a grant to Vancouver Coastal Health Authority in the amount of \$6,379,789 for 2026 to continue implementation of VCH's *Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Framework*, with funding disbursed in accordance with the terms and conditions that are consistent with this report to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy and Projects.

Table 3. 2026 Funding Recommendation for RTS 17888

Funding Item	Total per line
2025 Grant Funding Remaining (forecast)	\$ 1,571,390
2026 Grant Recommendation	\$ 6,379,789
Total Funding	\$ 7,951,179

**APPENDIX K
2025 ACCS GRANTS**

**One-Time Project Funding – Oppenheimer Park Field House Washroom Monitoring
Program – Recommended (Recommendation L)
Funding Source: 2025 General Government Operating Budget**

The Oppenheimer Park Field House washrooms have had attendants in place since 2020. Attendants were implemented in response to acute misuse, safety issues and ongoing operational challenges that resulted in property damage and eventual closure. The presence of on-site attendants ensures safe, equitable, and trauma-informed access to the washrooms, while reducing incidents of vandalism and supporting patrons with complex needs.

The program received Federal grant funding from 2021 to 2024. In 2025 the service was sustained with one year of City funding. The current City funding for the Oppenheimer Park Field House washroom monitoring program will cease on December 31, 2025.

An ongoing funding source for this service has not yet been identified; work is underway to identify alternative and sustainable service delivery approaches. In the meantime, a one-year grant is recommended to enable washroom supervision to protect the asset and ensure safe and equitable washroom operation.

Staff propose a scaled-back monitoring model providing basic cleaning and oversight with reduced hours of operation.

If the grant recommendation is approved, General Government operating budget funds from the City of Vancouver will provide one-time funding up to a total of \$270,000 to Atira Women's Resource Society, to enable continuity of this service and support safety for all park users, preservation of the facility asset, with trauma-informed practices in this high-use public space.

CONDITION: Funding will be released subject to organization meeting conditions outlined in the grant agreement, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Non-Market Housing and Social Operations.

APPENDIX L

2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS

Council Authority/Previous Decisions

Grant recommendations in this report are guided by a range of Council authority and previous decisions:

Vibrant Vancouver: City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023-2026: On [October 31st, 2023](#), Council approved a framework outlining Council's key priorities from 2023-2026. Council approved a description of how priorities align with Social Policy Grants on [November 27th, 2024](#).

The Older Persons Strategic Framework: The framework aims to establish a comprehensive, overarching approach for the City of Vancouver's work to engage and support the aging population. Council approved this framework and early actions on [February 5th, 2025](#).

Municipal Grants Jurisdictional Review and Arts, Culture and Social Grant Program Refinements: Responding to Council direction, staff worked with an external consultant to review municipal granting programs in six jurisdictions. Council further directed staff to take action to prioritize strategic alignment, improve participation of community members, and support non-profit organizations through multi-year funding programs, in future granting processes.

Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Service Enhancements Program: Program was initiated through a Council motion on [November 22nd, 2022](#). The framework for the program was approved by Council on [February 14th, 2023](#). Subsequent grants and reports on the program's progress were approved or received by Council on [February 6, 2024](#) (RTS 16098), [October 23rd, 2024](#) (RTS 16446), and [October 7th, 2025](#) (RTS 17934).

Healthy City Strategy: On [October 29th, 2014](#), Council approved goals, targets and indicators of the Healthy City Strategy 2014-2025 Phase I. On [May 8th, 2024](#), Council directed staff to begin a process to refresh the strategy; staff will report to Council on the results of this work in early 2026.

Accessibility Strategy: On [July 19th, 2022](#), Council adopted the City's first Accessibility Strategy. On [July 9th, 2024](#), Council received a report on the implementation of the Multi-Year Action Plan (MYAP) for the Accessibility Strategy.

City of Vancouver's Youth Safety and Violence Prevention Strategy: On [November 14th, 2023](#), Council adopted a youth-focused strategy to enhance youth safety and wellbeing in Vancouver, along with a framework aligned with the contribution agreement with Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada. An Implementation Update and Program Sustainability Plan were presented to Council on [May 7, 2025](#).

City of Vancouver's UNDRIP Strategy and 5-Year Action Plan: On [October 25th, 2022](#), the UNDRIP Task Force provided its final recommendations to Council. Council unanimously endorsed the UNDRIP 5-year Action Plan on [June 25th, 2024](#).

Implementation of Recommendations from the National Inquiry Into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls: On [July 19th, 2022](#), Council approved *MMIWG2S Response Report: Response to the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Calls for Justice* and *Red Women Rising Report Recommendations*.

Capital Plan: On [June 29th, 2022](#), Council approved the 2023-2026 *Capital Plan*, a \$3.5 billion capital investment in in-kind infrastructure, amenities, programs, and projects to be delivered by the City and/or its community partners.

Making Strides: Vancouver's Childcare Strategy and Early Actions: On [June 8th, 2022](#) Council approved *Making Strides: Vancouver's Childcare Strategy and Early Actions*. Implementation updates from staff were received by Council on [November 29th, 2023](#) and on [January 27th, 2025](#).

Spaces to Thrive - Vancouver Social Infrastructure Strategy: On [December 9th, 2021](#), Council adopted the Spaces to Thrive, Vancouver's first strategic 10-year policy and partnership framework for City-owned and City-supported social infrastructure.

Equity Framework: On [July 20th, 2021](#), Council approved the Equity Framework guiding departmental action planning and culture change within the City of Vancouver; and received an update on implementation on [July 9th, 2024](#).

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 advance climate action and equity simultaneously.

Indigenous Healing and Wellness Grants: On [July 25, 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.

City of Reconciliation: On [July 8th, 2014](#), Council adopted a framework to strengthen the City's services and ongoing relationships with the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. Most recently, a City of Reconciliation update was received by Council on [October 8, 2024](#).

Vancouver Food Strategy: In [January 2013](#), Council adopted the Vancouver Food Strategy. On [July 24, 2024](#), Council passed a motion directing staff to develop a food systems funding strategy in line with Council's strategic priorities.

Community Services (CS) Grants: On March 7th, 1978, City Council established the Community Services Grants program. On October 9, 2003, City Council approved revisions to the Community Services Grants program.

APPENDIX M

2025 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS

Vibrant Vancouver Strategic Priority Alignment to Social Policy Grants

The City's social development granting programs are guided by the strategic objectives described in *Vibrant Vancouver: City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023-2026*. This work is further guided by the City's long-range social sustainability plan, the Healthy City Strategy (currently being refreshed). In November 2024, Council directed staff to align future grant decisions with the following Vibrant Vancouver strategic objectives (RTS 16145).⁶

Table 1: Strategic Objectives and Priority Outcomes (as presented in Vibrant Vancouver: City Council's Strategic Priorities 2023- 2026) for ongoing alignment with social grants⁷

Vibrant Vancouver Strategic Objective	Examples of Key Aligned Work recommended to be funded in this report	Number of Grants	Recommended Funding
1 – Vibrant and Diverse	Continued support of organizations that support vulnerable communities through core operations grants.	0	\$0
5 - Safety and Security	- Support sex worker and gender safety programs. - Advance the City's youth violence prevention strategy through the Building Safer Communities Program.	2	\$70,000
6 - Climate Emergency	Capital Grants: Continued support of City climate resiliency through place-based, community-driven initiatives helping to advance climate action, including the City of Vancouver's Climate Emergency Action Plan and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy⁸	1	\$100,000

⁶ Grants included in Recommendations J and K in this report fall outside of the Social Policy Grants program; they have been excluded from the totals in this Appendix. Figures include 2 grant re-allocations in Recommendations C and D.

⁷ For funding awarded in the March or July 2025 granting cycles, please see their respective reports: RTS 17704, RTS 17886. Additional information can also be found in the annual ACCS Grants Report.

⁸ As part of the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy refresh approved by Council on [July 23rd, 2024](#), the 2023-2026 Mid-Term Capital plan update allocated funding to support extreme weather and air-quality resilience upgrades in civic and social infrastructure facilities. The MTC plan update was approved by Council on July 23rd, 2024 ([RTS 16185](#)).

Vibrant Vancouver Strategic Objective	Examples of Key Aligned Work recommended to be funded in this report	Number of Grants	Recommended Funding
7 - Healthy, Inclusive, Equitable	- Support the implementation of the City's Accessibility Strategy and Older Persons Strategic Framework to ensure Vancouver is a seniors-friendly, accessible City⁹. - Implement the City of Vancouver's Childcare Strategy and ensure sufficient childcare options for Vancouver families. - Invest in the City's Food System to increase food access and support a resilient, equitable, and sustainable food system for all. - Work with other partners to address the mental health and addiction crisis.	24	\$858,459
8 - Reconciliation	Onboard Indigenous Healing and Wellness grants into multi-year funding relationships; centering community adjudicators, including Elders and Knowledge Keepers, in the review process	2	\$40,000

⁹ Alignment to the Older Persons Strategic Framework that was brought to Council in early 2025.