



COUNCIL REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services
SUBJECT: 2026 Community Services and Other Social Grants and One Cultural Grant

Recommendations

Operating and Capital Grants

- A. THAT Council approve 43 Core Support Grants totalling \$1,685,777 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix A-1 for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- B. THAT Council approve two Indigenous Healing and Wellness Grants totalling \$35,000 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget to the organizations listed in Appendix B for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- C. THAT Council approve 11 Neighbourhood House Grants (\$1,229,693) and 11 Extreme Heat Resilience Grants (\$110,000) totalling \$1,339,693 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix C for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "Total 2026 Recommend" column.
- D. THAT Council approve three Extreme Heat Resilience Grants totalling \$40,000 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix D for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- E. THAT Council approve seven Childcare Operating Grants through two grant streams totalling \$437,315 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget – Childcare, including the recommended conditions on the grants, to the organizations listed in Appendix E-1 and E-2 for the amounts recommended to

each organization in the “2026 Recommend” column.

- F. THAT Council approve two School Food Grants totalling \$152,126 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix F for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- G. THAT Council approve 13 Sustainable Food Systems Grants totalling \$223,700 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix G for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- H. THAT Council approve two One-Time Project Grants totalling \$100,000 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget to the organizations listed in Appendix H for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- I. THAT Council approve one Grant totalling \$150,000 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget to Streetohome Foundation for 2026 and as further described in Appendix I.
- J. THAT Council approve one Multi-Year Funding Grant totalling \$440,000, comprised of \$220,000 from the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget and \$220,000 from the 2027 Social Policy Grants Operating Budget to RainCity Housing Society to operate the Kingsway Community Station as further described in Appendix J.
- K. THAT Council approve the reallocation of \$10,000 previously approved for Sacred Ties as part of the BSCP Youth Violence Prevention Program Grants, to be distributed to the organization listed in Appendix K for the amount recommended in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- L. THAT Council approve eight Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants totalling \$263,489 from the 2026 Social Policy Capital Grants budget (\$150,989) to the organizations listed in Appendix L-1, and from the 2026 Social Infrastructure Grants - Climate budget (\$112,500), to the organizations listed in Appendix L-2, for the amounts recommended for each organization in the "2026 Recommend" columns.
- M. THAT Council approve one Childcare Small Capital Grant totalling \$25,000 from the 2026 Small Capital Grants for Non-City Owned Childcare Budget to the organization listed in Appendix M for the amount recommended in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- N. THAT Council approve five School Aged Care Expansion Capital Grants totalling \$157,697 from the 2026 ACCS School Aged Expansion Grants budget to the organizations listed in Appendix N for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.
- O. THAT Council approve six Community Climate Action Grants (formerly Greenest City Grants) totalling \$289,586 from the 2026 Other Grants - Community Climate

Action Grants Budget (Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability) to the organizations listed in Appendix O-1 for the amounts recommended to each organization in the "2026 Recommend" column.

- P. THAT Council approve one Arts and Culture grant totalling \$10,000 from the 2026 Cultural Grants Operating Budget (\$7,000) and the Publishing Reserve (\$3,000) to West Coast Book Prize Society as further described in Appendix P.
- Q. THAT Council approve the revised criteria for the Social Responsibility Fund Granting Program as described in Appendix Q.

Other Applicable Recommendations

- R. THAT, pursuant to Section 206(1)(j) of the *Vancouver Charter*, Council deems any organization listed in Appendix A to P 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.
- S. 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 P 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.
- T. 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 P requires 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 including:

- A total of \$3,576,296 disbursed through 76 grants to community social service organizations and one Arts and Culture organization, to enable the sector to provide critical programs and services to Vancouver residents and the non-profit organizations that support them;
- A total of \$446,186 disbursed through 14 capital grants to community social service organizations for social space improvements and for expansion of childcare spaces.

Table 1: Summary of Grant Recommendations in this Report (2026)

GRANT STREAM	REC.	GRANT PROGRAM	NO. OF GRANTS	TOTAL \$\$ RECOMMENDED	TOTAL \$\$ REQUESTED	APPENDIX
Community Services	A	Core Support Grant	43	\$1,685,777	\$5,539,475	A-1
	B	Indigenous Healing and Wellness	2	\$35,000	\$75,000	B

GRANT STREAM	REC.	GRANT PROGRAM	NO. OF GRANTS	TOTAL \$\$ RECOMMENDED	TOTAL \$\$ REQUESTED	APPENDIX
	C	Neighbourhood House Grants	11	\$1,339,693 ¹	\$1,772,625 ²	C
	D	Vancouver Emergency Management Agency (VEMA)	3	\$40,000	\$40,000	D
	F	School Food Grants	2	\$152,126	\$214,952	F-1
	G	Sustainable Food Systems	13	\$223,700	\$301,405	G-1
	H	One-Time Project Grants	2	\$100,000	\$100,000	H
Subtotal			76	\$3,576,296	\$8,043,457	
Childcare (CC)	E	CC Capacity Building Grants	4	\$346,880	\$364,120	E-1
		CC Project Grants	3	\$90,435	\$112,935	E-2
Subtotal			7	\$437,315	\$477,055	
Capital	L	Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants	8	\$263,489	\$325,989	L-1, L-2
	M	Childcare Small Capital Grants	1	\$25,000	\$25,000	M
	N	School Aged Care Expansion Capital Grants	5	\$157,697	\$232,670	N
Subtotal			14	\$446,186	\$583,659	
Other ³	I	Streetohome Foundation	1	\$150,000	\$150,000	I
	J	Kingsway Community Station	1	\$220,000 ⁴	\$220,000	J
	O	Community Climate Action Grants	6	\$289,586	\$1,996,034	O
	P	West Coast Book Prize	1	\$10,000	\$10,000	P
Subtotal			9	\$669,586	\$2,376,034	
GRAND TOTAL			106	\$5,129,383	\$11,480,205	

Council Authority/Previous Decisions

Please see Appendix R for all Council Authority and Previous Decisions.

¹ The recommended amount includes \$110,000 Extreme Heat Resilience Grants as part of Neighbourhood House Grant application.

² The requested amount includes \$110,000 Extreme Heat Resilience Grants as part of Neighbourhood House Grant application.

³ Recommendation K is not included as it is an internal reallocation from the 2025 budget.

⁴ \$220,000 represents one-year of a two-year funding agreement, as part of the 2026 budget, totalling \$440,000.

City Manager's Comments

The City Manager concurs with the foregoing recommendations.

Context and Background

Guided by *Vibrant Vancouver: City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023-2026* and the City's long-range social sustainability plan, the *Healthy City Strategy*, Social Policy's grant program supports the delivery of social services across Vancouver through non-profit partners in alignment with City priorities.

Non-profits providing integral services face challenging contexts. In the last several months, given changes in Provincial and Federal funding for social programs and ongoing financial pressures due to cost-of-living increases, staff have observed more organizations seeking funds for stabilization, mergers, or in some cases closures. This precarity has left gaps in the non-profit sector areas for sex worker and gender safety, social economic development, youth programming, as well as immigrant and newcomer supports.

In response to this context, and increasing demand for the City's grant programs, staff continually re-evaluate funding distribution across the grant streams to align to need and City priorities. This work has included the analysis of sector trends and three years of impact evaluation data from grant report-backs to better understand needs, capacity and service levels. Improvements will continue to be made to grant programs to increase transparency, further oversight and to align reporting to renewed Healthy City Strategy.

Discussion

This report seeks Council approval for a range of social investments through the grants program, as well as recommended approval of the updated administrative criteria for the Social Responsibility Fund. Descriptions of each grant stream and relevant context for the recommendations are included in the Appendices. Highlights include:

- **Community Services Grants:** Community Services Grants continue to support the non-profit sector through core operations and programs, delivering over \$3.5M across eight granting streams.
- **Neighbourhood House Grants:** Neighbourhood House Grants (NHG), formerly Neighbourhood Operating Grants (NOG), continue to provide core operational and service funding to 11 neighbourhood houses across Vancouver to support programs, activities and services that address the goals of the Healthy City Strategy. The application process for neighbourhood houses has been streamlined this year as part of broader efforts ensure transparency and to improve administrative efficiency.
- **Food Systems Funding:** Aligned with the July 2024 Council motion, [*Closing the Gap: Investing in the City of Vancouver's Food System to Increase Food Access and Support a Resilient, Equitable, and Sustainable Food System for All*](#), staff have continued to identify food systems funding priorities, and are recommending a \$40,000 funding increase to the Sustainable Food Systems stream.
- **Community Climate Action Grants:** Community Climate Action Grants, formerly the Greenest City Grants, continue to offer grants for place-based, community-driven initiatives that help to advance focus areas of the City of Vancouver's Climate

Emergency Action Plan and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, while advancing equity in our city.

- **Vancouver Emergency Management Agency:** Extreme Heat Resilience Grants provide funding to core Resilient Neighbourhoods Program partners to prepare to serve vulnerable communities during extreme heat events, including the Urban Indigenous community and people with disabilities.
- **Social Responsibility Fund (SRF) Update:** Staff are recommending updates to the grant eligibility criteria and program scope of the SRF to better support projects that enhance health, safety and well-being, as well as research and monitoring initiatives in Vancouver, as related to the Responsible Gaming Agreement. Changes include the removal of geographic restrictions and allowing multiyear programming (Appendix Q).
- **West Coast Book Prize Society:** This grant will enable the delivery of the 2026 Vancouver Book Award and will pilot a transition from a city staff supported process to one that is externally facilitated (Appendix P).

Financial Implications

Funding for grant recommendations totalling \$5,129,383, and the remaining budgets, are summarized in Tables 2 and 3 below, according to funding source.

Table 2: *Financial Overview of Recommended Grant Streams and Remaining Balances*
Source: **2026 Operating and Capital Budgets**

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of Funding	2026 Budget	Previously Approved	Rec'd in this Report	Balance
A, B, C, D, F, G, H, I	Community Services Grants	Social Policy Grants Operating Budget	\$7,689,484	\$ 2,192,216	\$3,726,296	\$1,770,972
E	Childcare Capacity Building Grants, Childcare Project Grants	Social Policy Grants Operating Budget - Childcare	\$1,694,496 ⁵	\$135,000	\$437,315	\$1,122,181
L	Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants	Social Policy Capital Grants Budget	\$542,952	\$0	\$150,989	\$391,963
		Social Infrastructure Grants - Climate	\$431,633	\$0	\$112,500	\$319,133
M	Childcare Small Capital Grants	Small Capital Grants for Non-City Owned Childcare Budget	\$118,491	\$0	\$25,000	\$93,491
N	School Aged Care Expansion Capital Grants	ACCS School Aged Expansion Grants Budget	\$157,697	\$0	\$157,697	\$0

⁵ For 2026, the total for the Childcare funding will be reported net of the Operating Impacts of Capital amount.

O	Community Climate Action Grants	Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability	\$289,586	\$0	\$289,586	\$0
P	West Coast Book Prize	Cultural Grants Operating Budget & Publishing Reserve	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
GRAND TOTAL			\$10,934,339	\$2,327,216	\$4,909,383	\$3,927,970

Table 3: *Financial Overview of Recommended Kingsway Community Station Grants*
Source: **2026 & 2027 Social Operating Budgets**

Rec	Grant Stream	Source of Funding	2026	2027	Total
J	Kingsway Community Station	Social Policy Grants Operating Budget	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$440,000
GRAND TOTAL			\$220,000	\$220,000	\$440,000

Legal Implications

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

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APPENDIX A-1
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Core Support Grants (CSG) Grants – Recommended (Recommendation A)
Funding Source: Social Policy Grants Operating Budget

Core Support Grants provide funding that addresses inequity and mitigates conditions that create vulnerability for residents of Vancouver. Grants fund the direct delivery of social services to individual residents, and fund organizations that support other non-profits to improve their ability to deliver social services, address social issues, and navigate change.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Atira Women’s Resource Society	Intergenerational Mentorship Program (Imuoto and Oneesan)	\$10,355	The Intergenerational Mentorship Program connects women from neighboring Atira housing programs to foster cross-generational relationships and social inclusion based on Indigenous family support and care traditions.	
Black Women Connect Vancouver Society	CORE	\$21,000	Black Women Connect Vancouver inspires and empowers Black women and girls through comprehensive, safe, and inclusive mental health, wellness, and mentorship programs. Services and events leverage strengths, embrace diverse experiences, and support self-actualization.	COMMENT: Reduction of \$9,000 from 2025 grant.
Community Impact Real Estate Society	Coordinated Community Response Network	\$20,000	The Coordinated Community Response Network supports the organizing, convening and information sharing between a broad cross-section of DTES service providers, residents, non-profits, businesses, and governmental departments, to exchange perspectives and solutions that help ensure policy and practice are well-informed by community-led solutions, towards improved lives for DTES residents.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Community Impact Real Estate Society	Exchange Inner City	\$55,000	Exchange Inner City is a community economic development program which is collectively working to create, nurture and sustain the conditions for a vibrant, inclusive and equitable local economy in the Downtown Eastside while also influencing systemic change.	
East Side Family Place Society	CORE	\$63,415	Eastside Family Place is a multi-faceted non-profit 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.	
EYA Environmental Youth Alliance Society	CORE	\$20,000	Environmental Youth Alliance removes barriers to equity for youth ages 14-24 targeted by systemic oppression through the delivery of trauma-informed, land-based job skills training programs designed to support healthy employment, increase social connections, and improve sense of belonging and inclusion.	
Family Services of Greater Vancouver	Directions Youth Outreach Program	\$62,819	Directions Youth Services Outreach workers provide vital support to youth experiencing homelessness in Vancouver. Identifying high-risk youth and connecting them to support, including detox and shelters, government support, and basic health care.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia d.b.a. Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Frames Film Program	\$25,000	The 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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Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia d.b.a. Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Youth Skills for Environmental Justice	\$22,192	Youth Skills for Environmental Justice has two cohorts of 12+ BIPOC youth per year completing weekly workshops and volunteer projects related to climate action to develop leadership skills, healthy peer relationships and community connections using an intersectional lens.	
Hastings Community Association	Hastings Family Enrichment Centre	\$34,000	The 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. Community Connection is the main aspect of this space.	COMMENT: Increase of \$3,000 from 2025 grant.
Hope in Shadows Society (Megaphone)	CORE	\$60,000	Megaphone promotes social equity, amplifying marginalized voices and creating meaningful work. The vendor, editorial and speaking programs overlap, providing mentorship and skills development opportunities, generating accessible income to meet basic needs and improving well-being.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	Seniors and Youth Programming	\$31,250	Kitsilano Neighbourhood House programming provides community-based services for participants to connect in welcoming and accessible spaces. Opportunities include pro-social programs, empowering leadership development, supporting volunteerism and fostering community development through peer-led engagement. Programs further strengthen community by creating place making opportunities that are inclusive of all people.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	Youth and Seniors Program	\$20,000	Kiwassa's Youth and Seniors Program engages isolated and marginalized youth and aging adults in the Hasting-Sunrise and Grandview-Woodland neighbourhoods. Program coordinators work with programmers, partners, and community members to collaboratively develop, design and implement activities that strengthen relationships and opportunities for leadership and connection.	
La Boussole, Centre Communautaire Societe	Social Services at the Community Center	\$30,000	La Boussole provides social services, including access to education, training, and employment assistance to Francophones in need to help their social integration and foster cooperative relationships with organizations having similar missions to enhance access to services for vulnerable Francophone residents of the City of Vancouver.	
Learning Buddies Network of the Lower Mainland Society	Learning Buddies Network Vancouver Programs	\$15,000	Learning Buddies provides volunteer one-on-one mentoring at no cost, to academically and socially fragile children in Vancouver in reading and math. Intervention occurs early, before negative attitudes and discouragement become entrenched. The aim is to level the playing field and to provide meaningful volunteer leadership opportunities to the dedicated young people.	
Leave Out Violence (LOVE) Society BC	CORE	\$34,628	LOVE BC addresses violence prevention for underserved youth. By building supportive communities through weekly art practices, educational workshops, and special outings, LOVE BC offers skill-building and social-emotional growth to marginalized youth between 10 and 25 years old, all year long and across the city.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
The Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	Early Years Program	\$21,544	The Early Years Program at Little Mountain Neighbourhood House focuses on prevention-based programming which includes a stimulating play experience and building community through mutual support and developing school-readiness in children. The target population is families with children aged 0-5. It is responsive to the needs of the community.	
MakeWay Charitable Society	CORE	\$35,000	Binners' Project (BP) brings together binners to achieve increased recognition of binners' contributions to society and new economic opportunities. This is a project on MakeWay's shared platform, a national charity that builds partnerships and solutions to help nature and communities thrive together	
Marpole Oakridge Family Place Society	Family Resource Drop In & Parent Support Programs and Marpole Seniors HUB Programs	\$88,000	Marpole Oakridge Family Place's purpose is to promote the health and wellbeing of parents, grandparents, seniors, vulnerable adults, caregivers and young children. Programs are offered in a stimulating and supportive environment that promotes confidence, enhances early childhood development and builds community while respecting the diverse cultural and socio-economic experiences of families, seniors and vulnerable adults.	
Migrant Workers Centre BC Society	CORE	\$20,000	Migrant Workers BC offers vulnerable migrant workers effective and timely access to information and referral services and educational workshops with the goal of promoting safe and equitable employment, community integration and social connection.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Mom to Mom Child Poverty Initiative Society	CORE	\$25,000	Mom2Mom improves the lives of children in poverty by supporting their moms in the following ways: monthly grocery support; pairing with a relationship volunteer; funding extra-curricular activities for children; and more. Through community, moms build strong, meaningful relationships that reduce isolation and increase stability.	
M.O.S.A.I.C. Multi-Lingual Orientation Service Association for Immigrant Communities	Accessibility and Inclusion for Newcomers	\$55,000	The Accessibility and Inclusion for Newcomers Program increases access to inclusive settlement services for refugees and immigrants with disabilities by addressing physical, communication, and systemic barriers. The program strengthens client independence through accessible information, individualized support, and capacity-building initiatives for both clients and direct services staff.	
Mt. Pleasant Family Centre Society	CORE	\$58,172	The Mount Pleasant Family Centre Society is a key organization in the spectrum of services available to families with young children living in Vancouver. MPFCS offers a safe, welcoming environment for families to learn, play and grow together. The program fosters parenting confidence, parenting skills, enhance healthy child development, and builds community.	COMMENT: Increase of \$3,000 from 2025 grant.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Network of Inner City Community Services Society	Roving Leaders	\$32,028	Roving Leaders is 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 promote positive results.	CONDITION: Funding will be released, subject to the conditions outlined in the Notification Letter, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.
Pacific Community Resources Society	Broadway Youth Resource Centre	\$85,000	Pacific Community Resources Society is a youth serving program in Vancouver that supports with mental health, housing, food security, education, cultural based work, violence/victim services support, leadership, and health. The program supports ages 13-24, who are experiencing barriers to accessing service.	
QMUNITY, BC's Queer, Trans, and Two-Spirit Resource Centre Society	CORE	\$125,000	QMUNITY is BC's queer, trans, and Two-Spirit resource centre. Through support, connection and leadership, QMUNITY works to improve the lives of 2SLGBTQIA+ people. The organization believes in a person's right to define their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression, and values intersectional identities and operates from an anti-oppression framework.	

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Ribbon Community Society	CORE	\$20,000	Through its programs, Ribbon supports and empowers community members to increase social and cultural connections and access social services, particularly in the face of stigma and anti-Indigenous racism. Ribbon's communities include Indigenous people, trans and gender diverse people, sex workers, and people using substances.	
Sam Sullivan Disability Foundation	Vancouver Disability Solutions Network	17,500	The Disability Foundation's Vancouver Disability Solutions Network, previously called the Network Building Project, serves to build capacity in the disability sector by providing opportunities for learning and collaboration amongst disability service providers, people with disabilities, VCH and the City of Vancouver.	<p>COMMENT: Reduction of \$7,500 from 2025 grant.</p> <p>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.</p>

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Sher Vancouver LGBTQ Friends Society	CORE	\$7,000	Sher Vancouver provides peer support groups, outreach work, intake, information, referrals, and community resources for the queer South Asian community. Sher also has a crisis counselling program, youth leadership award, student practicum mentorship program, as well as providing social justice anti-bullying presentations in the community.	<p>COMMENT: Reduction of \$3,000 from 2025 grant.</p> <p>CONDITION: Funding will be released, subject to the conditions outlined in the Notification Letter, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.</p>
South Vancouver Family Place Society	CORE	\$79,432	South Vancouver Family Place (SVFP) has provided strengths-based support and capacity-building programs for children 0-5 years old, and their families in a safe, accessible, welcoming, and inclusive environment for 45 years. The preventative programs are critical in ensuring healthy outcomes for families and their children in community.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	South Vancouver Seniors Hub	\$55,472	South Vancouver's Senior's Hub supports seniors to play a leadership role in planning and governance to develop their capacity to guide and sustain the Hub using a community development approach that connects seniors and other organizations at the neighbourhood level.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	Youth Action Project (YAP)	\$20,000	The Youth Action Project is a longstanding initiative for the past decade at South Vancouver Neighbourhood House with a tri-mentorship model. The YAP umbrella offers over 25 youth and preteen programs in partnership with the Vancouver School Board. YAP focuses on building leadership and civic engagement for youth ages 8-18.	
TFL Technology for Living Society	Technology for independent Living (TIL) including Youth Assistive Technology Project (YAT)	\$20,000	TIL and YAT provide home environmental controls systems allowing people with significant physical disabilities to use items such as: TV controls, smartphones/landlines, lamps, fans, blinds, and door openers. TIL (adults) and YAT (youth) are community-based programs providing solutions to overcoming barriers and supporting living independently, safely and actively in community.	

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The Landing Youth Centre Foundation	Carving Alternate Paths	\$20,000	The Landing empowers vulnerable youth in Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside, Grandview-Woodlands, and Strathcona through trauma-informed mentorship, leadership, and academic programs. The Landing provides culturally responsive, wraparound support, safe spaces, and access to essential resources to promote long-term stability, well-being, and self-determined success.	<p>COMMENT: New grant this year.</p> <p>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.</p>
Thunderbird Neighbourhood Association	Thunderbird Family Drop In / Sunrise Drop In	\$43,800	Thunderbird Neighbourhood Association’s programming is designed to enhance the overall quality of life and sense of well-being among community residents through creating positive social networks and access to support systems.	<p>COMMENT: Increase of \$3,000 from 2025 grant.</p>

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Treehouse Advocacy Centre Society Vancouver	CORE	\$20,000	The Treehouse Child and Youth Advocacy Centre delivers a coordinated, child-centered response to child abuse. In partnership with community agencies, Treehouse unites systems of care to reduce trauma and set children on a path to healing.	<p>COMMENT: New grant this year.</p> <p>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.</p>
Vancouver Association for the Survivors of Torture	CORE	\$50,000	Vancouver Association for Survivors of Torture advocates for the rights and mental health of immigrants and refugees who have experienced psychological trauma due to torture, violence, or persecution. VAST offers trauma-focused, community-based psychosocial support to help survivors with the integration and adjustment processes and promote the sector's capacity building for newcomer mental health in general.	

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Britannia Community Services Foundation	Vancouver Neighbourhood Food Networks	\$10,000	Vancouver Neighbourhood Food Networks cultivate capacity among 15 neighbourhood-based Networks committed to food access, education, skill building, and advocacy, particularly for community members who are struggling economically. Together, VNFNs share and strengthen best practices in community-based food programming, food justice initiatives, and advocacy to support food security for all.	
The Vancouver Second Mile Society	CORE	\$71,017	Vancouver Second Mile Society helps improve the quality of life of low-income seniors living in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside neighbourhood by building a social support system through the work of a drop-in centre and outreach projects so that seniors find a sense of belonging and enjoy healthy ageing in their own community.	COMMENT: Reduction of \$31,957 from 2025 grant.
Vantage Point Strategies Society	CORE	\$60,000	Vantage Point is a non-profit that promotes connected communities by nurturing a strong non-profit sector. Vantage Point's vision is an inclusive community, where non-profits can achieve their fullest potential and drive sustainable change throughout BC. Vantage Point delivers high-quality training, resources, and advocacy that builds connection, creativity, and impact in the sector.	
West Side Family Place Society	CORE	\$32,153	West Side Family Place's programs and services promote child development, early learning and literacy, as well as positive social interactions for family. West Side Family Place also provides parents and caregivers with family support, parent education, and information about other services in the community.	

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The Writers' Exchange Society	CORE	\$30,000	Writers' Exchange provides free after-school literacy programs that support under-resourced kids and youth by offering a safe space to connect with positive adult role models, enjoy healthy snacks, and engage in creative reading and writing activities, fostering social-emotional skills and a sense of pride in their achievements.	COMMENT: Increase of \$5,000 from 2025 grant.
Yarrow Intergenerational Society for Justice	Chinese Seniors Hub Program	\$60,000	The Chinese Seniors Hub program engages Chinese seniors to develop a model of community leadership addressing inequities and service gaps in the Downtown Eastside and Chinatown. Seniors will develop long-term solutions that address inequities and service gaps in the neighbourhood and collaborate with service providers on program design and delivery.	
TOTAL = 43		\$1,685,777.00		

APPENDIX A-2
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Core Support Grant (CSG) – Not Recommended

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Better Not Bitter Society	The Ally Buddy Program & Masterclass Series	\$0	Better Not Bitter Society dismantles mental health stigma, promoting timely support and care for all. The Ally Buddy program fosters connection and belonging. The quarterly Masterclass series empowers youth and adults to manage triggers, build resilience, and thrive in a compassionate, inclusive community.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Black Arts Vancouver society	CORE	\$0	Black Arts Vancouver hosts workshops, events, and paid opportunities through the arts in Vancouver primarily serving youth, young families, emerging, and established artists of color. We work to provide the necessary resources to maintain and grow the presence of Pan-African Arts and Culture in BC.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
British Columbia Community Alliance	CORE	\$0	British Columbia Community Alliance is a Black-led nonprofit addressing systemic inequities and anti-Black racism in Vancouver’s education system through advocacy, community engagement, and institutional reform.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Catherine White Holman Wellness Centre	CORE	\$0	CWHWC provides low-barrier and free wellness and legal services to Two-Spirit, transgender and gender non-conforming people in a way that is respectful and celebratory of clients’ identity and self-expression.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Chinatown Together Arts and Culture Society	CORE	\$0	Chinatown Together is a grassroots organization that fosters intergenerational connections and community resilience through accessible arts and culture programming. By empowering Chinatown elders and Chinese diasporic youth, we resist the effects of gentrification and collectively build a Chinatown that is welcoming, vibrant, and rooted in its cultural heritage.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
FENS4LIFE ASSOCIATION	CORE	\$0	FENS4LIFE delivers free youth violence-prevention programs that reduce vulnerability and promote safety. Through the F.E.N.S. model—Awareness, Self-Confidence, Understanding of Sexes and Consent, and Physical Self-Defense—youth ages 11–25 gain tools to recognize risk, set boundaries, and build confidence, helping mitigate inequity and create safer, more inclusive Vancouver communities.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
United Girls of the World Society dba Fire and Flower	CORE	\$0	Fire and Flower's mission is to empower and mentor pre-teen girls and gender-diverse youth. Fire and Flower provides relevant, innovative, experiential programs based on mentorship, community-building and nature-connection. Focusing on developmental challenges and foster education for youth who face marginalization, whether through their identity or other vulnerabilities.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Free the Fern Stewardship Society	CORE	\$0	Free the Fern's mission is to restore the Champlain Heights Trails, located in a historically diverse neighbourhood, with mixed and low-income housing. Free the Fern offers accessible, low-barrier, opportunities to learn about nature & rewild trails - planting native species where invasive plants dominate.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Fresh Roots Urban Farm Society	Sustainable Opportunities for Youth Leadership (SOYL)	\$0	SOYL is a youth leadership program rooted in equity, food justice, and experiential learning. On schoolyard farms, equity-deserving youth engage in meaningful, land-based learning that builds skills, confidence, and connection to food, land, and community.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Jits and Jots Science Education Society	CORE	\$0	The Jit and Jots Science Education Society supports youth development through hosting scientific and professional development workshops for children and youth across Vancouver.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Justice Education Society of British Columbia	Ask JES Multilingual Legal Help	\$0	Ask JES Multilingual enhances access to justice for limited English proficiency clients. The JES project team delivers professional development training for staff at settlement organizations and legal education sessions for their clients, as well as other community organizations. Multilingual legal help is provided in-person, virtually and via email.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses BC dba Marpole Neighbourhood House	Intergenerational Family Resource Program	\$0	Marpole Neighbourhood House provides inclusive, intergenerational family supports through culturally grounded programs for caregivers, youth, seniors, and newcomers. Marpole Neighbourhood House delivers high-impact services including drop-ins, meals, mentorship, and childcare navigation.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
McLaren Housing Society	The Living for Excellence (LIFE) Program	\$0	The LIFE (Living for Excellence) Program supports individuals with HIV/AIDS in Vancouver by providing housing assistance, life skills training, and ongoing support for tenancy stability. Targeted at low-income, 2SLGBTQIA+, and aging populations, the program fosters security and community through tailored support, partnerships, and cultural competency.	NOT RECOMMENDED: 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	Safe Transit & Public Space Advocacy for Women	\$0	The Safe Transit & Public Space Advocacy for Women and Seniors project empowers commuters to navigate transit and public spaces safely through education, advocacy, and community engagement. It includes safety workshops, leadership training, a women's ambassador program, and a public awareness campaign promoting inclusion, confidence, and equitable access across Vancouver.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Muslim Food Bank and Community Services Society	ASPIRE Community Capacity & Volunteer Empowerment Initiative	\$0	ASPIRE Vancouver builds community capacity by training volunteers and partner organizations to support vulnerable residents through culturally responsive workshops, collaboration, and resource navigation. The program strengthens Vancouver’s social service network by developing local leadership, shared tools, and sustainable systems that foster inclusion, self-reliance, and equitable access to support.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Nuru Training Society	CORE	\$0	The Nuru Training Association supports empowers marginalized individuals through education, employment readiness, and housing stability initiatives that promote long-term community resilience.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Pacifica Treatment Centre Society	2SLGBTQIA+ Peer Mentorship Training Program	\$0	Pacifica’s Peer Mentorship Training Program provides trauma-informed, skills-based paid internships for individuals with lived experience of substance use, focusing on 2SLGBTQIA+ and marginalized communities, to develop employment, leadership, and recovery skills; building inclusion, resilience, and equitable opportunities for Vancouver’s most vulnerable residents.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Progressive Intercultural Community Services (PICS) Society	CyberSmart Vancouver	\$0	CyberSmart Vancouver is an ongoing community education program by PICS Society that builds on its successful Financial Literacy Workshops. The program empowers Vancouver’s youth, immigrants, and seniors with digital literacy and online safety skills through multilingual workshops and resources in eight languages.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Radius Simon Fraser University	Health Equity in Action Lab (HEAL)	\$0	RADIUS’ Health Equity in Action Lab supports over 15,000 Vancouver residents by empowering 25 BIPOC health leaders to drive systems change. Through health initiatives, incubation and concierge services, HEAL advances Vancouver’s Healthy City Strategy by centering innovation, equity, and lived experience in the reimagining of Vancouver’s public health system.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Radius Simon Fraser University	Migrant Systems Change Leadership Certificate	\$0	RADIUS equips 25 refugee and immigrant leaders with equity-centered systems change tools and continued mentorship. Graduates join an alumni network, receive ongoing coaching, and launch community projects that strengthen belonging, housing access, and employment equity across Vancouver, impacting 1,000+ residents annually.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Revitalizing Orca Society	CORE	\$0	Revitalizing Orca provides food security and recovery distribution programming to offset the cost of living for urban Indigenous families. It also provides Indigenous sport and recreation, a cultural hub and programming, as well as an artistry den for Indigenous artists.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Rise Asset Development Society	Rise Vancouver	\$0	Rise Vancouver empowers individuals with mental health and addiction challenges to become entrepreneurs. Through flexible financing, training, mentorship, and custom supports, the program enables individuals to learn the skills and access the capital they need to build a small business for meaningful employment, economic empowerment, and personal well-being.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Shelter Movers Vancouver	Safe and Supported Exits for Vancouver Survivors	\$0	Shelter Movers provides zero-cost moving and storage services to survivors of abuse. By collaborating with local social agencies to identify clients - primarily women and children – the barrier free, trauma informed and survivor centered service is the only program of its kind in the City of Vancouver and nation-wide.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
The Good Guys Charitable Foundation	CORE	\$0	The Good Guys organization addresses the social issue of community isolation by creating inclusive spaces where people can connect, celebrate, and support one another.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
The Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	Expanding Truth and Reconciliation at LMNHS	\$0	Expanding truth and Reconciliation at LMNHS will focus on building awareness and connections to Indigenous culture, history and teachings within Little Mountain Neighbourhood House and building on work led and facilitated by an Indigenous Support Worker.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
The Vanished Project Society	CORE	\$0	The Vanished Project locates and reconnects missing, unhoused, and vulnerable individuals in Vancouver with their families and support systems. Through outreach, searches, and partnerships, the organization reduces harm, restores safety, and provides pathways to recovery, housing, and healthcare for those at greatest risk.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization does not meet eligibility criteria.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Recreation Youth and Elders Wisdom Programs	\$0	The Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society's Youth-Program has been a vital force for 60 years, offering diverse activities to urban Aboriginal youth. From academic support to cultural enrichment, sports, and leadership-training, the program aims to empower and uplift, addressing the unique challenges faced by Aboriginal youth in the urban setting.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization does not meet eligibility criteria.
Vancouver Black Therapy and Advocacy Society	CORE	\$0	Vancouver Black Therapy & Advocacy Foundation is a Black- led and Black-serving organization that connects Black individuals and families facing barriers to mental healthcare to free counselling services, low-cost counselling services, patient navigation services and advocacy with Black-represented, culturally competent support.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Vancouver Mikoshi Sakurakai Society	CORE	\$0	The Vancouver Mikoshi Sakurakai Society connects people through Japanese culture, honoring predecessors, strengthening families and communities, and sharing traditions via Mikoshi-centered events and educational programs in Vancouver and beyond.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM GLOBAL WELLNESS AND CULTURAL SOCIETY	Journeys Across Generations	\$0	Journeys Across Generations is a documentary capturing the voices of South Asians such as, Fijian, and Nepali, etc communities in Vancouver. Through elders' stories, youth perspectives, and artistic expressions, the film explores migration, resilience, and heritage, culminating in a public screening and dialogue to strengthen intergenerational and intercultural connections.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Warm Hands Society	CORE	\$0	Warm Hands Society provides inclusive, multilingual services for seniors across Vancouver, including home care, transportation, social activities, tech-based programs, and holiday support. Warm Hands promotes dignity, independence, and well-being through culturally responsive care, empowering marginalized and isolated elders with equitable access to essential resources, connection, and compassionate support.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
TOTAL = 31		\$0		

APPENDIX B
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Indigenous Healing and Wellness (IHW) Grants - Recommended (Recommendation B)
Funding Source: Social Policy Grants Operating Budget

Indigenous Healing and Wellness grants fund programs that support Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers in Vancouver’s urban Indigenous community. Recommendations are for the second year of a two-year funding cycle.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Indigenous Wellness Training Society	Urban Indigenous Healing & Cultural Wellness Program	\$15,000	Elders and Knowledge Keepers lead healing circles, cultural teachings, and land-based wellness that support Indigenous people living in Vancouver. The program strengthens cultural identity, belonging, and spiritual wellness, while offering cultural training for youth and peer helpers.	
Vancouver Aboriginal Health Society	VAHS Cultural Centre	\$20,000	Vancouver Aboriginal Health Society actively promotes Aboriginal culture through various programs and events. This includes workshops on traditional healing practices, art therapy, cultural ceremonies, and community gatherings that celebrate Indigenous heritage.	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.
TOTAL = 2		\$35,000		

APPENDIX C
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Neighbourhood House Grants - Recommended (Recommendation C)
Funding Source: Social Policy Grants Operating Budget

Neighbourhood House Grants (NHG) provide core operational and service funding to 11 neighbourhood houses to support a wide range of programs, activities and services that address the goals of the Healthy City Strategy. An additional \$10,000 is being earmarked to allow neighbourhood houses to continue their extreme heat preparedness activities to serve residents of Vancouver. This work has been led by the Vancouver Emergency Management Agency (VEMA) for the last few years and is being streamlined into the NHG application process for efficiency.

AGENCY	2026 RECOMMEND (NHG)	2026 RECOMMEND (VEMA)	TOTAL 2026 RECOMMENDED	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House	\$118,778	\$10,000	\$128,778	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	\$107,757	\$10,000	\$117,757	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	\$110,000	\$10,000	\$120,000	

AGENCY	2026 RECOMMEND (NHG)	2026 RECOMMEND (VEMA)	TOTAL 2026 RECOMMENDED	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	\$105,000	\$10,000	\$115,000	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Marpole Neighbourhood House	\$105,000	\$10,000	\$115,000	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	\$110,000	\$10,000	\$120,000	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	\$120,842	\$10,000	\$130,842	
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	\$121,162	\$10,000	\$131,162	

AGENCY	2026 RECOMMEND (NHG)	2026 RECOMMEND (VEMA)	TOTAL 2026 RECOMMENDED	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House Society	\$110,000	\$10,000	\$120,000	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	\$121,154	\$10,000	\$131,154	
The Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	\$100,000	\$10,000	\$110,000	
TOTAL = 11	\$1,229,693	\$110,000	\$1,339,693	

APPENDIX D
SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Extreme Heat Resilience Grants - Recommended (Recommendation D)
Funding Source: 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget

Extreme Heat Resilience Grants provide funding that enables community organizations to prepare for extreme heat events and deliver critical supports to vulnerable residents. Grants fund capacity-building activities to prepare for seasonal extreme heat events, purchase equipment, and directly support individual residents and populations disproportionately impacted by extreme heat. The source of funding for 2026 is Social Policy Grants Operating budget

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Extreme Heat Resilience Grants	\$15,000	The Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre will lead culturally safe extreme heat preparedness planning and delivery of extreme heat supports to Indigenous peoples. VAFC will use these funds to distribute cool kits, improve heat awareness, offer cooling and wellness programs, and strengthen social connections and resilience.	
TFL Technology for Living Society	Extreme Heat Resilience Grants	\$15,000	Technology for Living will work to identify people with disabilities who are disproportionately impacted by extreme heat and use a peer-based approach to match them with appropriate cooling supports. TFL will use this funding to engage with people with disabilities on cooling needs and distribute cooling devices within Vancouver.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
The Britannia Community Services Centre Society	Extreme Heat Resilience Grants	\$10,000	Britannia Community Services Centre will leverage its volunteer programs to conduct wellness checks on people disproportionately impacted by extreme heat events. BCSC will use this funding to host educational activities and resource volunteer-led check-in programs.	
TOTAL = 3		\$40,000		

APPENDIX E-1
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Childcare Capacity Building Grants – Recommended (Recommendation E)
Funding Source: Social Policy Grants Operating Budget - Childcare

Childcare Capacity Grants support key organizations that are integral to Vancouver’s childcare sector because of their leadership and expertise in space creation, centre management and administration, program quality enhancements through staffing supports and pedagogy, family support services, or policy development. City funding supports unique services that are not funded by Provincial dollars, and which directly benefit the Vancouver-based childcare sector.

AGENCY	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC	\$40,000	Funding will focus on work that advocates for increased funding from senior levels of government for the creation of new childcare spaces in Vancouver, highlighting the needs of childcare operators and families facing higher operational and facility costs and other constraints.	
Vancouver Society of Children’s Centres	\$78,120	The grant provides core support to support 775 childcare spaces in City-owned facilities.	
Westcoast Family Centres Society	\$158,760	The grant provides core support to enable training, coordination, sharing of resources and quality improvement programs for Vancouver-based childcares and educators.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia	\$70,000	The grant will support a centralized childcare planning role that focuses on coordinating policy and systems implementation, for unified delivery of childcare programming across the organization and its 8 neighbourhood houses.	
TOTAL = 4	\$346,880		

APPENDIX E-2
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Childcare Program Development (PD), Research, Policy Development and Innovation (RPD&I), and
Program Stabilization (PS) Grants – Recommended (Recommendation E)
Funding Source: Social Policy Grants Operating Budget – Childcare

Funding supports one-time projects that create spaces in new or existing programs; support research, service and policy innovations; or stabilize existing childcare providers by supporting their longer-term sustainability.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	Program Development	\$32,435	The grant supports the expansion of the existing school age care program at Florence Nightingale Elementary School at 2740 Guelph Street in Mount Pleasant, which will add 40 additional spaces to the existing 44 space program, starting in September 2026.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	Program Development	\$26,000	The grant supports the start-up and development of a new 25-space school age care program at Tecumseh Elementary School at 1850 East 41st Avenue in Victoria-Fraserview, to open in September 2026.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Champlain Heights Community Association	Program Development	\$32,000	The grant supports the development of a new 22-space school age care program that will operate on weekend days 8am to 6pm (in partnership with the Board of Parks and Recreation) at Champlain Heights Community Centre at 3350 Maquinna Drive in Killarney, to open in September 2026.	<p>COMMENT: New grantee.</p> <p>CONDITION: Funding will be released, subject to the conditions outlined in the Notification Letter, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.</p>
TOTAL = 3		\$90,435		

APPENDIX F-1
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
School Food Grants – Recommended (Recommendation F)
Funding Source: 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget

School Food Grants provide students with nutritious meals alongside opportunities for leadership and food skills development. The source of funding for the grants listed below is the 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Strathcona Community Centre Association (1972)	Breakfast Program & Breakfast Buddies Program	\$84,000	The Strathcona Community Centre’s Breakfast & Breakfast Buddies Program provides Strathcona Elementary students with a daily homemade grab-and-go breakfast prepared by staff with support from our Breakfast Buddies, a youth-led culinary program where youth gain leadership and food preparation skills while supporting their classmates.	
Growing Chefs Society	LunchLAB	\$68,126	LunchLAB is a school meal program where kids cook, serve, and share nourishing, culturally-relevant lunches with their peers. Through mentorship from chefs and hands-on food literacy, LunchLAB transforms lunch into a joyful, non-stigmatizing experience that builds connection, belonging, and leadership in school communities.	
TOTAL = 2		\$152,126		

**APPENDIX F-2
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
School Food Grants – Not Recommended**

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	Tillicum Breakfast Club	\$0	The Tillicum Breakfast Club provides a free healthy grab and go breakfast every school day for the children attending Tillicum Community Annex, and their siblings, and parents/caregivers.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
TOTAL = 1		\$0		

APPENDIX G-1
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Sustainable Food Systems – Recommended (Recommendation G)
Funding Source: 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget

Sustainable Food Systems (SFS) Grants provide funding to coordinated neighbourhood-based efforts that address inequity and mitigate conditions that create barriers to food security for Vancouver residents.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
The Britannia Community Services Centre Society	Grandview Woodland Food Connection	\$18,000	The Grandview Woodland Food Connection (GWCF) at Britannia is a Neighborhood Food Network supporting the health & well-being of all residents, especially, vulnerable, under-served, and low-income neighbours. We address food security by providing a broad spectrum of programs that connect & strengthen our community.	
The Britannia Community Services Centre Society	Vancouver Neighbourhood Food Networks	\$27,000	This Vancouver Neighbourhood Food Network advances the directions set out in the VNFN's funding review report, emphasizing City-funded Neighbourhood Food Networks that face the greatest resource constraints. Funding will support activities that strengthen the ability of these NFNs to coordinate and collaborate within their communities.	CONDITION: Funding to be released after a scope of work has been finalized, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy & Projects.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	Building Collaborative Food Systems through the West End Food Connectors	\$19,000	The West End Food Connectors will coordinate West End-Downtown food organizations to share resources, align programming, and address service gaps. It will leverage existing local assets and organizational relationships to build the systems needed to improve food access for low-income and equity-denied residents, strengthening the neighbourhood's collective capacity for long-term food security.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Food Forward: Fostering Opportunities for Optimal Development	\$14,160	Frog Hollow's food philosophy is based on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, that all members of our community have a right to food. We are committed to working towards a more equitable access to food for those who are nutritionally vulnerable by delivering food literacy programs for our neighbors.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Kitsilano Neighbourhood House	Westside Food Collaborative	\$18,000	WFC is a network of residents and organizations advancing food justice, equity, and access across Vancouver's Westside. Hosted by Kits House, WFC supports collaboration, resource-sharing, and advocacy, promotes culturally appropriate food initiatives, and connects partners through monthly meetings and an annual gathering to align place-based efforts and amplify community voices.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood Food Network	\$19,000	The Mount Pleasant Food Network (MPFN) is a community-based network of nonprofits and groups formed in 2014, working together to support health and well-being in the Mount Pleasant neighbourhood by promoting an accessible, just and sustainable food system. It fosters collaboration through events and shared initiatives.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	South Vancouver Food Network: Food Affair	\$18,700	The Food Network aims to further develop the South Vancouver Neighbourhood Food Network (SVNFN) into a network of resilient food assets accessed and supported by empowered and food-resilient residents.	
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	Kiwassa Food Programs	\$18,000	Kiwassa Food programs provide tools, knowledge, and support to strengthen community food security. We promote food justice, ensure dignified access to healthy food, and foster social connection. By empowering diverse communities and collaborating with local partners, the program works toward a more inclusive, resilient, and sustainable local food system.	
The Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	LMNH Sustainable Food Network	\$16,840	The mission of LMNH Sustainable Food Systems Program is to create a local, decolonized, community-led food system. Dedicated to providing space to grow food, build community, and care for the unceded lands on which we live, work, and play.	

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House Society	Nutritional Outreach	\$12,000	Nutritional Outreach coordinates neighbourhood-scale food access through coalition work, peer leadership, and volunteer engagement. This includes coordination of nutritional outreach programs, community fridge and pantry logistics, community partner engagement and collaboration through food distribution.	
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	Renfrew Collingwood Food Justice	\$18,000	RCFJ has been running for over 20 years, it is guided by Queer, Femme, and Indigenous, People of Colour (IPOC) staff team and community leaders who strive to support food justice, capacity building, and leadership in Renfrew-Collingwood neighbourhood through community kitchens, land-based stewardship, and grassroots community organizing.	
Disabled Independent Gardeners Association	DIGA Sustainable Food Initiatives	\$8,000	The Disabled Independent Gardeners Association (DIGA) is continuing its mission to increase food security for individuals with disabilities through accessible gardening. This program equips participants with adaptive tools, accessible garden infrastructure, and training to grow their own nutritious food at home or in community spaces.	
Strathcona Community Centre Association (1972)	Strathcona Food Security Program	\$17,000	The Strathcona Community Centre Association’s food programs support upstream social determinants of health through fostering social support networks, encouraging local leadership development, facilitating skill/knowledge sharing and supporting food access for healthy child development.	
TOTAL = 13		\$223,700		

APPENDIX G-2
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Sustainable Food Systems – Not Recommended

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Ancestral FoodWays Collective Society	Indigenous Cultural Food Hub	\$0	Indigenous Cultural Food-Hub, led by Ancestral-FoodWays with community partners, strengthens Indigenous food systems, cultural practices, and climate resilience. Active since 2020 and registered since 2023, it supports education, restoration, youth engagement, and access to traditional foods, fostering biocultural heritage, community wellbeing, and intergenerational learning across Tsleil-Waututh, Squamish, and Musqueam territories.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Meets eligibility criteria but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rated higher in addressing City priorities.
Fresh Roots Urban Farm Society	Fresh Roots Sustainable Food Systems	\$0	Fresh Roots will advance sustainable food systems through schoolyard farms that serve as community hubs for growing food, learning, and collaboration. This project will support inclusive programming, Indigenous partnerships, and coalition-building efforts to improve food access, build capacity, and address systemic barriers to healthy, affordable, and culturally relevant food.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization does not meet eligibility criteria.
TOTAL = 2		\$0		

APPENDIX H
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
One-Time Project Grants – Recommended (Recommendation H)
Funding Source: 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget

Grants supporting key initiatives integral to the City’s Reconciliation and Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG) commitments.

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
All Nations Outreach Society	Organizational Capacity Building	\$20,000	All Nations Outreach Society supports Indigenous individuals through trauma-informed, culturally grounded care. We provide holistic services including meals, outreach, ceremony, and peer-led support, focusing on healing, connection, and dignity. Our work empowers people on their healing journey by reconnecting them with culture, community, and identity in a non-judgmental, compassionate way.	
Watari Counselling & Support Services Society	Moccasin Mafia – Grassroots Outreach Program	\$80,000	This grant supports Watari to work with Moccasin Mafia, a grassroots outreach program in Vancouver that reaches people who are highly isolated due to systemic factors. A team of peers delivers food and provides support to urban Indigenous people experiencing homelessness during the evening when most services are closed. Several of the women who have worked with Moccasin Mafia are the first ones to march on Valentine’s Day in reaction to ongoing missing and murdered women in Vancouver’s DTES.	
TOTAL = 2		\$100,000		

APPENDIX I
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Streetohome Foundation Grant Recommended - \$150,000 (Recommendation I)
Funding Source: 2026 Social Policy Grants Operating budget

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 the shared goal of preventing and reducing homelessness in Vancouver. Initially \$125,000 annually, in 2016 the annual grant was increased to \$150,000. Other funding sources include BC Housing, Vancouver Coastal Health, and the private sector.

Since its inception, Streetohome has committed \$52M in private investments, which has developed 1,438 homes, 13 support service initiatives, and 9 business case solutions across British Columbia. 100% of Streetohome’s capital donations fund supportive housing and homelessness prevention initiatives (Streetohome 2024 Annual Report).

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) initiatives.

AGENCY	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Streetohome	\$150,000	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.	
TOTAL = 1	\$150,000		

APPENDIX J
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Kingsway Community Station - \$440,000 (Recommendation J)
Funding Source: 2026 and 2027 Social Policy Grants Operating budget

The Kingsway Community Station (KCS) is a non-profit operated social service delivered by RainCity Housing and Support Society. KCS provides community safety and violence prevention, access to one-to-one peer support, health and harm reduction services, mental and emotional support, referral to health services, housing and recovery programming, bad date reports, access to safety, and community and connection.

The KCS was established as a response to the long-standing need identified for a safe, respite space in the area for some of the most marginalized and targeted community members in the city. The services at KCS advance Council’s Vibrant Vancouver strategic priority No. 5 – Safety and Security, which includes actions to invest in gender safety initiatives among other community safety objectives, and priority No. 7 – Healthy, Inclusive and Equitable, which aims to better support the physical and mental health of Vancouver residents.

Staff are recommending transitioning City support to a grant-based model, which aligns with how the City supports similar social services. Service at the current location will end at the end of March, 2026. Staff are recommending 2 years’ worth of funding to support the relocation and reestablishment of this service in a new space along the Kingsway corridor. Funding will be released, subject to confirmation of a new location⁶, operating model and project plan and other conditions outlined in the Grant Agreement, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy. Future years of funding would be subject to review and Council approval and follow the regularly scheduled multi-year Core Support Grant intake procedure, adjudication, award and reporting timeline.

AGENCY	2026 RECOMMEND	2027 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
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⁶ A new location has not yet been identified. Selection considerations include site and neighbourhood context.

RainCity Housing Society	\$220,000	\$220,000	The Kingsway Community Station (KCS) is a non-profit operated social service delivered by RainCity Housing and Support Society. KCS provides community safety and violence prevention; access to one-to-one peer support; health and harm reduction services; mental and emotional support; referral to health services; housing and recovery programming; bad date reports; access to safety; and community and connection.	CONDITION: Funding will be released, subject to the conditions outlined in the Grant Agreement, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Social Policy.
TOTAL = 1	\$440,000			

APPENDIX K
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
2025 Building Safer Communities Youth Engagement Project Grant Reallocation - Recommended (Recommendation K)
Funding Source: 2025 BSCP budget

Building Safer Communities 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). A \$10,000 reallocation from Sacred Ties is being recommended, previously approved in 2025 (RTS 17888).

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Ancestral FoodWays Collective Society	“Lil Homie That I Once Knew” Anti-Gang Video production	\$10,000	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 L-1:
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Small-Medium Capital Grant - Recommend (Recommendation L)
Funding Source: 2026 Social Policy Capital Grants Budget**

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

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia	ANHBC Hub-Based Shared Services Model	\$25,000	This grant will support ANHBC to carry out a research project on the development of a hub-based Hybrid Shared Services Model. Inspired by the evolution of the Metropolitan Alliance of Connected Communities (MACC) in Minnesota, this model will respond to sector-wide needs for sustainability, capacity building, and collaborative infrastructure—with a particular focus on co-located groups within shared spaces.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	Multipurpose Room Acoustic Upgrade	\$27,633	This grant will support an acoustic upgrade project that seeks to improve the sound quality of the multipurpose room by installing panels that will limit the sound reverberation in the room. Due to the sound reverberation in the room, staff, program participants and community members have expressed not being able to hear or listen, creating an inaccessible and unsafe environment for those with hearing and sensory sensitivities.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	Skylight Glass Replacement	\$23,356	This grant will support the replacement of the damaged and non-compliant skylight glass panels. The new panels are energy-efficient safety glasses, they are sealed units and in compliance with the current Fire and Building Codes of BC.	

<p>DUDES Club Society</p>	<p>Carving Culture for Men (Totem Pole Carving Project)</p>	<p>\$25,000</p>	<p>This grant will support the carving and installation of the totem pole at the Club House where Indigenous men and youth attend on a regular basis to access peer connection. The pole will help improve the vibes of current space and create a sense of belonging, promote reconciliation and highlight the resilience of community.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Kiwassa Neighbourhood House</p>	<p>Boiler Replacement</p>	<p>\$25,000</p>	<p>This grant will support the replacement and installation of a boiler to support the heating for the House. This will include new electrical systems and the fireproofing of the boiler room to bring this system up to code. This project is essential to licensing for the childcare and general life safety for programs.</p>	
<p>Learning Disabilities Society of Greater Vancouver</p>	<p>Capacity-Building Through Soundproofed, Accessible Meeting Spaces (Portable Meeting/Phone Booth)</p>	<p>\$25,000</p>	<p>This grant will support the purchase and installation of three soundproof phone/meeting pods at the East Vancouver learning centre. These pods will expand the space capacity to provide confidential, uninterrupted staff and family support, reduce noise disruptions, and enhance overall functionality and accessibility of the space.</p>	
<p>TOTAL = 6</p>		<p>\$150,989</p>		

**APPENDIX L-2:
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants - Recommended (Recommendation L)
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	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Gordon Neighbourhood House	GNH A/C Installation Project	\$100,000	This grant will support the design and the mechanical engineering upgrades to the building to install centralized air conditioning. The current building opened in 1986 and does not have centralized air conditioning. As climate change creates extreme weather, including heat waves during the summertime, fans or portable A/C units are not effective in cooling down the temperature to have a safe and comfortable environment.	
REACH Community Support Society	REACH HVAC Upgrade Project	\$12,500	The grant will support the upgrade of the HVAC system to improve energy efficiency, air quality, and climate resilience. The project will enhance health, safety, and comfort for thousands of East Vancouver residents who rely on REACH’s integrated health and social services, ensuring a sustainable and healthy indoor environment for all.	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.
TOTAL = 2		\$112,500		

**APPENDIX L-3:
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Social Policy Small-Medium Capital Grants – Not Recommended**

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	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Paws for Hope Animal Foundation	Paws for Hope Community Hub	\$0	The Paws for Hope Community Hub will be the first Canadian centre to support vulnerable people with pets, providing free animal health clinics, subsidized veterinary care, pet food pantry, emergency boarding for people in crisis, links to pet friendly housing, and support to help people care for their pets.	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization or project does not meet eligibility criteria
TOTAL = 1		\$0		

**APPENDIX M:
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS - CAPITAL GRANTS
Childcare Small Capital Grant – Recommended (Recommendation M)
Funding source: Small Capital Grants for Non-City Owned Childcare Budget**

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	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society	Replacement of Playground Structure (the Duke Street Early Learning and Care Centre)	\$25,000	This grant will support the replacement of the current playground structure. The existing equipment, which has been in use since the opening in 1995, shows significant wear and no longer meets current safety standards. A new structure will be designed to promote children’s gross motor skills, balance, coordination, and cognitive development through interactive and age-appropriate features.	
TOTAL = 1		\$25,000		

APPENDIX N
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
School Aged Care Expansion Capital Grants - Recommended (Recommendation N)
Funding Source: ACCS School Aged Expansion Grants

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

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Queen Victoria Annex School Aged Care	\$30,000	This grant will support the creation of 30 before-and-after school aged care spaces at Queen Victoria Annex. This school currently does not have school aged care program on the school grounds, and the new program will serve family and children in the Grandview Woodlands area where there are large gaps in the provision of high-quality childcare including out of school care programs for families with young children.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House	Before & After School Aged Care Expansion at Florence Nightingale Elementary	\$40,000	This grant will support the expansion of a licensed School-Age Childcare (SAC) program operated at Florence Nightingale Elementary, from 44 to 84 spaces. The program has a long waitlist. The expansion will further provide affordable school aged care to families at Mount Pleasant neighborhood.	
Shaughnessy Point Grey Out-of-School Society	School Aged Care Expansion at Quilchena Elementary (Handwashing Sink & Kitchen Upgrade)	\$7,697	This grant will support the expansion of a School-Aged Care program from 70 to 75 spaces (potentially more) by improving handwashing facilities and upgrading the food preparation area. The facility improvement will help increase capacity and further accommodate childcare needs for families.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver	Moberly School Aged Care Expansion	\$30,000	This grant will support the creation of 35 licensed School Aged Care (SAC) spaces on school grounds at Moberly Elementary School with a proposed start date of September 2026. The school currently does not have a SAC program	

Neighbourhood House			on the school grounds, and there are high demands for SAC program. This much-needed new program will serve family and children in the Sunset neighborhood.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia DBA South Vancouver Neighbourhood House	Tecumseh School Aged Care	\$50,000	This grant will support the creation of 24 licensed School Aged Care (SAC) spaces on the school grounds at Tecumseh Elementary School in the Kensington–Cedar Cottage and Victoria–Fraser view neighbourhoods. The new spaces will help alleviate the families' childcare needs.	
TOTAL = 5		\$157,697		

APPENDIX O-1
2026 PLANNING, URBAN DESIGN AND SUSTAINABILITY GRANTS
Community Climate Actions Grants - Recommended (Recommendation O)
Funding Source: Community Climate Action Grants Budget (Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability)

Community Climate Action Grants (formerly the Greenest City Grants) support projects that help advance climate action while advancing equity in Vancouver. The funding source is the Community Climate Action Grants Budget (Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability).

AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House	Intergenerational Climate Response Group (ICRG)	\$48,264.33	This project will strengthen climate resilience and community well-being through intergenerational collaboration. Youth and seniors will co-create culturally relevant cooling kits and lead multilingual air filter workshops, supporting vulnerable residents during extreme weather. Outcomes include 75+ kits, 3–4 workshops, updated educational materials, and a sustainable, peer-led model fostering inclusive climate preparedness.	
Association of Neighbourhood Houses of British Columbia Gordon Neighbourhood House	Intergenerational Climate Education and Adaptation in the West End	\$48,264.33	This initiative, led by Gordon Neighbourhood House, the West End Seniors’ Network, and Qmunity, strengthens neighbourhood resilience to extreme heat and poor air quality by integrating climate supports into services for homebound seniors and creating intergenerational spaces where youth and older adults share resources, build mutual aid networks, and develop practical adaptation tools.	
Be the Change Earth Alliance Society	Vancouver Climate Champions	\$48,264.33	The Vancouver Climate Champions initiative will create learning resources aligned with Vancouver’s climate plans to help high school students and teachers understand priorities such as extreme weather preparedness and low carbon transportation. Through student workshops and teacher training, the program will support schools in translating municipal climate strategies into practical, community level projects.	

False Creek Friends Society	False Creek Community-led Mapping Project	\$48,264.33	This project, co-led by False Creek Friends Society and Georgia Strait Alliance, will map how False Creek’s urban watershed can act as a safe harbour from climate impacts by combining lived experience from residents, equity deserving groups, and Indigenous Peoples with existing scientific data. The resulting accessible map will illustrate local climate risks and opportunities for stewardship and future climate action.	
Georgia Strait Alliance				
P.E.D.A.L. (Pedal Energy Development Alternatives) Power Association	Oppenheimer Repair Clinics	\$48,264.33	The Oppenheimer Repair Clinics will support active transportation in the Downtown Eastside by offering free, year-round repairs for bicycles and mobility devices. Through hands on learning and low barrier skill share workshops, the clinics will help residents maintain access to low carbon transportation, extend device lifespan, and reduce waste, strengthening mobility and climate friendly transportation options for thousands of participants each year.	
Still Moon Arts Society	Connecting Youth to Green Rainwater Infrastructure in Still Creek	\$48,264.33	This project will build climate literacy among Vancouver Grade 6/7 students through hands-on learning at 3 local Green Rainwater Infrastructure sites. Seasonal field trip modules and curriculum-linked classroom materials teach biodiversity, water quality, and stewardship skills, empowering youth to understand climate adaptation, monitor ecosystem health, and care for their community’s natural environments.	
TOTAL = 6		\$289,586		

APPENDIX O-2
2026 PLANNING, URBAN DESIGN AND SUSTAINABILITY GRANTS
Community Climate Action Grants - Not Recommended

AGENCY	PROJECT NAME	2026 RECOMMEND	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
Afrovan Connect Society	Fare Farms Initiative "Ernie King and Sylvia Stark Garden"	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Airs Program	Art into Action Youth Water Stewardship Project	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Ancestral Foodways Collective Society	Kumkumalay Biocultural Heritage and Restoration Project	\$0	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 Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE) BC	CAPE BC's Healthy Climate Solutions Fair v2.0	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Centre for Human Care and Community Development	Community Green Spaces and Waste Management for Cleaner, Healthier Cities	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Destination Vancouver	Vancouver Tourism Climate Resilience Assessment & Strategic Adaptation Plan	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Farmers on 57th Society	Farmers on 57th Society	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants

			budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Food Stash Foundation	Empowering Vancouver to build an energy efficient and green local food system	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
For Our Kids	Family Climate Talks	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Free the Fern Stewardship Society	CARE: Climate Action through Restoration and Education	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Fresh Roots Urban Farm Society	Youth Climate Leaders: Cultivating Change Through Schoolyard Farms	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Furnish Forward	Get Furniture	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Green Roof Infrastructure Network of BC	GI Power: Skills and Leadership Training for Green Infrastructure Stewardship	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Green Technology Education Centre of Greater Vancouver Society	Climate Response Centre	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Heart Tattoo Society	It's Trash Can, not Trash Can-Not!	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
Latincouver Cultural & Business Society	Verde Vancouver	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.

Movement YVR	Movement YVR	\$0	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	SAFE (Supporting All, From Extremes)	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Musqueam Nation	Musqueam Climate Action at Home	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
NatureKids BC	NatureKids BC Empowering Climate Action in our Own Backyards	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Park People	Climate Resilience through Senior Leadership in Parks	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Pembina Institute	Demonstrating the value of deep tenant engagement in building retrofits	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Racing to Zero	Championing Change: Introducing Sustainability to Grassroots Sport	\$0	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 (A.S.T.C. Science World Society)	Sustainability Action for Equity-Seeking Groups	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.

SFU Renewable Cities	Building community climate action dialogue capacity in Vancouver residents	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Simon Fraser University's Community Engaged Research Initiative (CERi)	Downtown Eastside Climate Hub	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Synergy Sustainability Foundation	Green Trades - Building Low-Carbon Capacity	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
The Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society	LMNH Climate Response Team and Climate Readiness Project	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
The Starfish Canada	Sea Smart Summer Camps	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
The Vancouver Fruit Tree Project	Fruit Tree Project (VFTP) Climate Action & Festival	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Threading Change	Fashion for the Future: Youth Climate Workshops	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Three Links Care Society	Sustainable Care Project	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.

TREC Charitable Foundation (o/a Relay Education)	Vancouver Renewable Energy Education and Engagement	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
University of British Columbia (and West End Seniors Network)	A Community-Led Action-Oriented Approach to Enhancing Climate Resilience	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Vancouver East Housing Cooperative	Building a Brighter & More Welcoming Water Wise Future	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
VSB - Board of Education of School District No.39	Climate Readiness Study	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Wildcoast Ecological Society	Trout Lake	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Organization meets eligibility criteria, but funding not recommended as grants budget is limited and other applications rate higher in addressing City priorities.
Yarrow Intergenerational Society for Justice	SLAACC: Seniors Leading Actions Against Climate Change	\$0	NOT RECOMMENDED: Program does not meet eligibility criteria.
TOTAL = 38		\$0	

APPENDIX P
2026 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANTS
West Coast Book Prize Society Grant Recommended - \$10,000
Funding Source: Cultural Grants Operating Budget & The Publishing Reserve Budget

The City of Vancouver Book Award was established in 1989 by City Council, to recognize authors that contribute to the appreciation and understanding of Vancouver's diversity, history, unique character, or the achievements of its residents. The \$3,000 prize has been delivered annually, facilitated by Arts and Culture staff. The Vancouver Book Award prize, program delivery and event related costs are funded through the City's Publishing Reserve, which was established in 1977 as a permanent legacy for Vancouver writers and publishers, and from the Arts and Culture Operating Budget.

Staff recommend a grant of \$10,000 be awarded to The West Coast Book Prize Society to deliver the Vancouver Book Award in 2026 as a one-year pilot. The West Coast Book Prize Society runs the BC and Yukon Book Prizes, administering eight annual awards celebrating the achievements of BC and Yukon writers, illustrators and publishers. The West Coast Book Prize Society is interested in delivering the Vancouver Book Award, in a similar format to previous years. Moving the delivery of the Vancouver Book Award to a non-profit organization will build on the expertise of the West Coast Book Prize Society, support deepening alignment to other literary awards and celebrations, and achieve administrative efficiencies for the City.

AGENCY	2026 RECOMMEND	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	CONDITIONS & COMMENTS
West Coast Book Prize Society	\$10,000	The West Coast Book Prize Society will deliver the Vancouver Book Award, which includes issuing a callout for submissions, assembling a jury to review submissions, promoting the short list and award winner, and coordinating logistics for the event where the award is announced.	CONDITION: Funding will be released, subject to the conditions outlined in the Funding Agreement outlining the City's requirements for the delivery of this program, to the satisfaction of the Managing Director of Arts and Culture.
TOTAL = 1	\$10,000		

APPENDIX Q
2026 SOCIAL POLICY GRANTS
Social Responsibility Fund Criteria (Recommendation Q)

On [February 28, 2008](#), Council approved the criteria for the Social Responsibility Fund (SRF) community grant program, which was established by the City to disburse funding to address community issues associated with the operations of the former Edgewater Casino. Since 2015, funds have continued to be provided (through the Responsible Gaming Agreement with Parq Casino) to the City for disbursement. The SRF criteria currently focus on the following:

- *Focus:* Addresses public safety issues and increase community capacity in Vancouver; and in neighbourhoods immediately surrounding the [Parq] Casino;
- *Target Populations:* Vulnerable populations, including the demographic profile of Edgewater [now Parq] Casino patrons;
- *Grant Criteria:* One-time, time-limited projects from Vancouver-based registered non-profit societies, with funds not for ongoing programs or organizational core funding.

Staff are recommending changes to the criteria of the Social Responsibility Fund, to better serve the aims of this grant stream, and align with City priorities and the overall administration of the social grants program. The following modifications to the grant program eligibility are recommended:

	Proposed Grant Eligibility Criteria Updates	Current Related Criteria
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research and monitoring on impacts of gambling • Community services and programs that improve community health outcomes, build community capacity and / or focuses on safety. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects focused on public benefit, public safety and community capacity.
Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-year projects in addition to one-time projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only One-Time projects that complete within one year are eligible.
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove 5km range restriction ⁷ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects must focus on neighbourhoods immediately surrounding Parq Casino (within 5km).
Population Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects that target vulnerable populations, as identified in the Health Impact Assessment or subsequent research. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vulnerable populations including the demographic profile of casino patrons

⁷ The Health Impact Assessment determined that impacts of gambling are not geographically restricted and as a result will remove this restriction to allow project applications from other areas.

The updated grant program will continue to:

- Require that applicants meet basic eligibility criteria and demonstrate resources and capacity to complete the project for which funding is sought;
- Align with Council priorities, with recommended projects being brought forward to Council for approval; and,
- Require submission of annual reports on impact and how funds have been used, in advance of subsequent payments (in the case of funded multi-year projects).

Recognizing that the effects of gambling are not geographically bound, the revised SRF criteria will better support anticipated harms from gambling from a city-wide perspective and provide better flexibility to respond to arising needs, while retaining the focus and intent of the SRF.

APPENDIX R
2026 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 31, 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](#).

Healthy City Strategy: On [October 29th, 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. On [February 3rd, 2026](#), City Council approved the renewed Healthy City Strategy, which reaffirms the City's commitment to building a healthier, more inclusive city for all residents.

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 on [October 22, 2024](#). 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: The Urgent Mental Health and Substance Use Program, led by Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH), was initiated through a Council motion on [November 22nd, 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 on [February 14th, 2023](#).

Accessibility Strategy: On [July 19th, 2022](#), Council adopted the City's first Accessibility Strategy. The Accessibility Strategy reflects the City's commitment to support the full participation of persons with disabilities by establishing and maintaining inclusive services, programs, and infrastructure, and by identifying, removing, and preventing barriers. The strategy reinforces the recognition of the rights, dignity, and independence of people with disabilities within Vancouver and strengthens the ability to foster a culture of

equity and inclusion that values and includes all residents, visitors, and employees. 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 this youth-focused strategy which outlines a comprehensive approach to enhancing the safety and wellbeing of youth in Vancouver. The adoption of the *Youth Safety and Violence Prevention Strategy* and the approval of the *Building Safer Communities Granting Program* provides the framework required to fulfill the City’s obligations under the contribution agreement with Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada to support community-based violence prevention programming in the City. The policy and funding framework focus primarily on early violence prevention efforts that promote individual and community well being, safety and belonging in the City. The strategy sets out a plan to create safe spaces and empowers young people and communities to develop and implement solutions.

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. In March 2021, Council unanimously adopted a motion to create an UNDRIP Task Force that would recommend actions to implement UNDRIP at the City. 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*. The report’s Financial Implications sections noted that in the 2022 Budget Council approved \$300,000 in funding to support this work, half of it onetime and half of it ongoing. This work is ongoing, and updates are provided to Council by Indigenous Relations.

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*, including directions to expand equitable access to quality childcare and build partnerships toward a universal system through support for non-profit partners. A Phase 1 implementation update was received by Council on [November 29th, 2023](#).

Working Collaboratively to Become a Restorative City: On [January 26th, 2022](#), Council passed a motion to make Vancouver a Restorative City. The motion committed the City to creating a restorative justice lens, with specific Restorative Collective work to

develop a Restorative City Framework. The Framework would support the development and delivery of restorative justice training for City staff and Council.

Spaces to Thrive - Vancouver Social Infrastructure Strategy: On [December 9th, 2021](#), Council adopted 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 that lays the foundation for departmental action planning and for culture change within the City of Vancouver by centering on four notions: Indigenous rights, racial justice, intersectionality, and systems approach to change. Council receives annual updates on the Equity Framework implementation.

Greenest City Grants (Renamed to Community Climate Action Grants): Adopted in 2012 and revised in 2020, the Community Climate Action Grant program offers grants for community-driven initiatives that help advance the City of Vancouver's Climate Emergency Action Plan and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, while also advancing equity in our city.

Indigenous Healing and Wellness Grants: On [July 25, 2017th](#), 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 the framework which has three foundational components that further strengthen the City's 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.

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 to support food-friendly neighbourhoods. On [July 24, 2024](#), Council passed a motion directing staff to develop a food systems funding strategy in line with Council's strategic priorities.

Vancouver Book Award: On August 31, 1989, City Council established the annual Vancouver Book Award funded by the Publishing Reserve Trust Account.

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, including the creation of three funding

streams: Neighbourhood Organizations, Direct Social Services (renamed Core Support Grants), and Organizational Capacity Building.

APPENDIX S
2026 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. In November 2024, Council directed staff to align future grant decisions with the following Vibrant Vancouver strategic objectives (RTS 16145).

Vibrant Vancouver Strategic Objective	Examples of Key Aligned Work recommended to be funded in this report	Number of Grants	Recommended Funding
Objective 1 - Vibrant and Diverse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued support of organizations that support vulnerable communities through core operations grants. 	2	\$32,192
Objective 5 - Safety and Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support sex worker and gender safety through programs and partnerships such the Kingsway Community Station 	3	\$264,628
Objective 5 - Climate Emergency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Climate Action Grants: Offers grants for community-driven initiatives that help advance the City of Vancouver’s Climate Emergency Action Plan and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy. • Capital Grants: Upgrades to enhance resilience of social infrastructure and services. Addressing extreme heat and air quality events in facilities predominantly used by equity-denied communities and residents. 	11	\$552,096
Objective 7 – Healthy, Inclusive and Equitable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the implementation of the City’s Accessibility Strategy and Older Persons Strategic Framework to ensure Vancouver is a seniors-friendly, accessible City. • Implement the City of Vancouver’s Childcare Strategy and ensure sufficient childcare options for Vancouver families. • Increased investment in the City’s Food Systems to increase food access and support a resilient, equitable, and sustainable food system for all. 	86	\$4,145,467

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with other partners to address the mental health and addiction crisis 		
Objective 8 – Reconciliation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued support for Reconciliation and MMIWG initiatives through Indigenous Healing and Wellness grants (IHW) and organizational capacity building. 	4	\$135,000
TOTAL		106	\$5,129,383