

GRANTING GUIDELINES & CRITERIA

The Slocan Valley Community Legacy Society (SVCLS) solicits and accepts grant applications from organizations that meet our Granting Guidelines and Criteria. In 2020 the SVCLS will be offering grants with a maximum of \$3,000 per grant and one grant of \$5,000.

SVCLS holds a broad definition of resiliency and hopes to support projects that develop resiliency in a variety of ways –agricultural, artistic, environmental, and economic...ideas that spring from our rich and creative community.

Organization Eligibility

1. Applicants must be either a registered charity or other qualified donee. A qualified donee as defined by the Canada Revenue Agency is:
 - A registered charity or Canadian Municipality
 - A registered Canadian amateur athletic association (example, Sport BC)
2. **If your organization is not a registered charity or other qualified donee, your project must be sponsored by a registered charity or other qualified donee.**
 - If your project is being sponsored **you must include a signed letter with your application from the sponsoring organization** indicating their commitment to your project. Sponsoring organizations should ensure that they comply with CRA regulations. If you need more information on how to team up with a qualified donee, please consult the document, *Information for Non-Profit Societies who wish to partner with a Registered Charity or other Qualified Donee*. **Developing a relationship with and being approved by a sponsoring organization can take up to three months.**
3. The project must take place in and be for the benefit of residents within Area H of the RDCK and/or the municipalities of New Denver, Silverton, or Slocan.

Granting Priorities

In awarding grants, particular consideration will be given to projects that:

1. Support our communities to be resilient and vital
2. Protect, promote and enhance the natural environment
3. Promote creativity and innovation, including non-traditional solutions
4. Show evidence that the project will promote collaboration among two or more organizations.

Project Characteristics

Projects should:

1. Translate needs & problems into solutions & opportunities. Please describe the community need that is being met with this project and who will benefit.

2. Use innovation to produce outcomes. Please describe how your project is creative.
3. Enrich interconnectedness, interdependency, understanding and respect among individuals, communities and organizations within the Slocan Valley. Please provide the names of the other groups or organizations who will be involved with your project (even if they are not formal partners), and how they will be involved with the project.
4. Recognize and value the diversity of the Slocan Valley, for instance its varied social, cultural, environmental or economic elements. Please describe whether and how your project will bring together and affect diverse interests from different areas or elements of Valley life.

Granting Restrictions

The SVCLS does **not** grant funds for:

1. Fundraising events or campaign activities
2. Religious or partisan political activities
3. Deficit reduction
4. On-going operational or administrative expenses of an organization. However, we will support the operating and administrative expenses related to the project for which funding is sought.

Reporting

Grant recipients must submit the written report form provided prior to any further funding application and not later than March 31 of the year following receipt of the grant. Please include digital photos with your report.

Granting Committee – Selection Process

A Granting Committee comprised of two members of the Board of the SVCLS and at least three other Society members will evaluate the applications and will make recommendation to the SVCLS Board of Directors. Grant recipients will be announced and will receive their cheques at the 2020 AGM.

Applying for a Grant from SVCLS in 2020--Please see separate grant application form. The application is a fillable PDF form. **We request that you confine your responses to the spaces provided.** In 2020 SVCLS will award one grant of \$5,000. In addition, SVCLS will award grants of up to \$3,000 each. Applicants must submit a request for **either** \$5,000 **or** an amount up to \$3,000.

Deadline: Applications must be completed and emailed to: grants@slocanvalleylegacy.com no later than **March 20, 2020**. If you received a grant in 2019, the final report for that grant must be received prior to the March 20, 2020 grant deadline.

If you have questions regarding your application, call the SVCLS at 1-877-649-5643 and leave a message. We will get back to you. **First time applicants are especially encouraged to call.**