



# COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

LETHBRIDGE + SOUTHWESTERN ALBERTA

## Emergency Community Support Fund

### Successful Grant Recipients

**Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge - \$2,000:** To support the development of a seven-week virtual art program, which includes free art kits for families.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters Lethbridge and District - \$8,000:** To support the development of an online mentorship program for children and youth that explores themes such as internet safety, isolation and loneliness, self care, mental health, and mindfulness.

**Blood Tribe Administration - Blood Tribe Harm Reduction Project - \$23,000:** To purchase items for wellness baskets including bottled water, nutritional food, hand sanitizing supplies, and traditional cleansing and spiritual items such as sage and sweet grass. ECSF funds will also be used to hire additional support workers who will help assist Blood Tribe members impacted by the opioid crisis, which has increased in severity due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Boys and Girls Club of the Foothills - \$51,820:** To support the development of the *Family Resiliency Program*, which will provide ongoing mental health supports to vulnerable children, youth, and families who have been negatively affected by the COVID-19 crisis.

**Canadian Bhutanese Society - \$20,000:** To hire translators who will support the community access important information, including public health recommendations and applications for COVID-19 assistance.

**Canadian Cancer Society - \$10,000:** To support the *Travel Treatment Fund*, which provides limited, short-term financial assistance to cover a portion of cancer-related transportation and accommodation expenses for low income Albertans living with cancer.

**Chinook Sexual Assault Centre - \$4,500:** To purchase webcams, headsets, and laptops to assist clients virtually.

**Family Centre Society of Lethbridge and District - \$5,600:** To purchase technology, which will allow Family Centre staff to help support their clients from home.

**Family Centre Society of Lethbridge and District - \$4,113:** To provide families with safe access to computers.

**Foothills Centre - \$25,800:** To hire a COVID-19 Intake Screening Worker who is responsible for conducting the Foothills Centre intake process, screen clients for COVID-19, and then perform enhanced environmental cleaning and disinfection.

**Friends of Taber Literacy Association - \$18,000:** To cover costs associated with staff wages and the purchase and installation of Plexiglas security screens. This will allow staff to safely assist the community to apply for COVID-19 assistance and to access other important resources.



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**Friends of the Helen Schuler Nature Centre Society - \$1,000:** To support the production and dissemination of *Get Outside 101 - Nature Play Guides* for children from low socio-economic families. Distributed alongside the Lethbridge Food Bank's Mindful Munchie's Program, *Get Outside 101* features fun activities that promotes the benefits of being outside in nature.

**Good Samaritan Society - \$10,000:** To support the completion of a courtyard fence in the Park Meadows location, which will safely allow residents to enjoy the outdoors and the company of others.

**Interfaith Food Bank Society of Lethbridge - \$13,356:** To support the purchase of shelving, which will allow surplus food stock to be stored prior to distribution to other local charities.

**Lethbridge College - \$12,500:** To the purchase of technology to support staff working from home.

**Lethbridge Food Bank Society - \$13,356:** To purchase shelves and coolers to increase capacity to respond to the rise in demand due to COVID-19.

**Lethbridge John Howard Society - \$10,530:** To cover costs associated with outfitting the office to ensure staff and client safety, as well as to educate recently released inmates about the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Lethbridge and Taber - Kidsport - \$35,000:** To help subsidize sports programs for families that are struggling financially due to COVID-19.

**Let's Talk Science - \$2,678:** To cover costs associated with the production and dissemination of STEM learning packages for children in Grades 4-6 from low socio-economic families. Every learning pack includes hands-on STEM and literacy activities, an age-appropriate book, and supplies.

**Napi Friendship Association (Pincher Creek) - \$30,000:** To support the development of *One Pot Wonders*, a weekly service that provides clients experiencing food insecurity with food hampers, nutritious recipes, and online cooking classes. This program allows staff to offer additional supports due to COVID-19.

**Prairie Winds Clubhouse Society - \$12,000:** To cover costs associated with the development of an outreach team to support people living with mental illness in Claresholm. This grant will allow for the provision of personal protective equipment for employees making home visits, and will support the development of a help line to contact clients who require additional support during the pandemic.

**South Country Treatment Centre - \$40,000:** To support the development of three programs, which will improve the quality of life and mental health of individuals living with addiction during the COVID-19 pandemic: Life Skills Development and Education Program; Art Therapy; and Horticulture Therapy.

**South Region Parents as Teachers - \$3,800:** To support the purchase of technology and personal protective equipment (PPE), which will allow for safer home visits for parents, caregivers, and families.

**Starlight Children's Foundation - \$8,120:** To support the development and dissemination of a play pack for hospitalized children who are strictly isolated due to being strongly immunocompromised.



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**Streets Alive Family Support Association - \$14,400:** To provide a safe transition house for parolees that are released from prison early due to COVID-19.

**Taber and District Housing Foundation - \$18,000:** To subsidize the Meals on Wheels program for new and existing clients who are struggling financially due to COVID-19.

**Town of Fort Macleod - \$17,074:** To hire additional staff who will assist the public access COVID-19 support and run modified programs during the pandemic.

**University of Lethbridge – Conservatory of Music - \$4,800:** To support the development of a virtual summer camp for children in grades 2-6 interested in music.

**Volunteer Lethbridge Association - \$17,028:** To help facilitate volunteer screenings and strengthen volunteer programs for charities and non-profits.

**Vulcan County – Vulcan Regional Response to Elder Abuse Coalition - \$17,000:** To support seniors who may be at risk of experiencing elder abuse through virtual wellness checks and by increasing media awareness.

**Wandering Willows Fundraising Society - \$1,485:** To support the purchase of supplies for the Meals on Wheels program, which provides food to members of the community impacted by the COVID-19 crisis.

**YMCA - \$15,000:** To subsidize youth day camps for families struggling financially due to COVID-19.

**YWCA - Harbour House - \$75,000:** To hire 24-hour staff to support victims of domestic violence and to adapt shelter space to allow for social distancing.



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## COVID-19 Response and Recovery Grants Program

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**Blood Tribe Administration - Blood Tribe Dept. of Health Inc. - \$30,000:** To support the purchase of food hampers for Blood Tribe members.

**Boys and Girls Clubs of the Foothills - \$3,000:** To support the purchase of food items to fill hampers for families in the Nanton area.

**Bridges of Hope – Blue Rein Ranch - \$9,300:** To subsidize the Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT) program for families struggling financially due to COVID-19.

**Claresholm Seniors Drop-In Centre - \$10,000:** To support grocery and medication delivery, meal preparation and delivery, and safety and well-being check-ins for seniors.

**Kidney Foundation of Canada – Southern Alberta - \$10,000:** To support the Kidney Foundation's Financial Assistance Service, which provides transportation to treatment, temporary accommodation, and meals.

**Lethbridge College - \$3,000:** To support the Lethbridge College Students Association's Food Bank for the purchase of food items to fill hampers for students and their families.

**Lethbridge Family Services - \$25,000:** To support the coordination and implementation of online counselling services.

**Lethbridge Food Bank Society - \$20,000:** To purchase food items and necessary supplies for the clients of the food bank.

**Lethbridge Soup Kitchen Association - \$24,000:** To support the Soup Kitchen's hot meal dinner program and the purchase of single use serving items, such as plates, cutlery, and cups.

**Nord-Bridge Senior Citizens Association - \$10,000:** To support grocery and medication delivery, as well as safety and well-being check-ins for seniors

**Streets Alive Mission - \$14,800:** To support a bagged meal program for individuals not able to access food services elsewhere.

**Taber Food Bank Society - \$20,000:** To support the purchase of food items and necessary supplies for the clients of the food bank.



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**University of Lethbridge - \$10,000:** To support the purchase of food for students accessing the University of Lethbridge Students' Union Food Bank.

**Wandering Willows Fundraising Society - \$215:** To support the purchase of supplies for the Meals on Wheels program, which provides food to members of the community impacted by the COVID-19 crisis.

**Willow Creek Foundation - \$3,000:** To support the purchase of iPads for seniors to connect virtually with their families and friends.

**Wood's Homes - \$15,000:** To support housing needs for youth at risk of experiencing family violence or being evicted from their homes.

**Youth One – Bridges of Hope International - \$5,000:** To support the establishment of an online platform and a helpline to connect with youth in Lethbridge and surrounding area.

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