



# 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.

**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 - \$4113:** To provide safe access to computers for families with limited at-home access.

**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.

**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.



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**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 - \$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 COVID-19.

**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.

**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.



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**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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