

<h1 style="text-align: center;">COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT</h1> <p style="text-align: center;">Department: Community Services</p> <p>TITLE: FCSS Community Services Committee</p>		
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<p>FCSS Community Services Committee Report</p>		

PURPOSE:

For Council to review 2025 FCSS grant application approvals made by the FCSS Community Services Committee.

BACKGROUND:

Family Community Support Services (FCSS) is a unique 80/20 funding partnership between the Government of Alberta and participating municipalities. Contributions are made through the provincially funded program whereby the Province of Alberta provides 80% of the budget, and that Foothills County is required to match the grant by providing at least 20% of the funding toward support of qualified programs. The FCSS Program receives its mandate from the FCSS Act and Regulation.

Under FCSS, communities design and deliver social programs that are preventative in nature to promote and enhance well-being among individuals, families, and communities. The programs developed are intended to help individuals within their communities to adopt healthy lifestyles, thereby improving the quality of life and building the capacity to prevent and/or deal with crisis situations should they arise. Programs depend on community resources, often involving volunteers in management and delivery.

The FCSS Community Services Committee meets to review all applications submitted to Foothills County FCSS and provides a report to Council.

SUMMARY OF APPROVALS:

Griffiths Community Centre:

Moved by Barb Castell that Griffiths Community Centre be granted \$1,700 for the Seniors Healthy Living Program. Griffiths Community Centre received \$1,000 for the Seniors Healthy Living Program in 2024.

CARRIED

**High River Sunset
Drive In:**

Moved by Rob Siewert that High River Sunset Drive in be granted \$3,500 for their Volunteer Appreciation and Community Involvement. High River Sunset Drive In received \$5,000 for Community Engagement in 2024.

CARRIED

Leighton Art Centre:

Moved by Barb Castell that Leighton Art Centre be granted \$3,600 for the Volunteer Program. Leighton Art Centre received \$2,600 for the Community Awareness Program in 2024.

CARRIED

**Millarville Community
Library:**

Moved by Barb Castell that Millarville Community Library be granted \$2,500 for Volunteer Training and Appreciation. Millarville Community Library received \$1,500 for Volunteer Training and Appreciation in 2024.

CARRIED

**Millarville Historical
Society:**

Moved by Rob Siewert that Millarville Historical Society be granted \$2,500 for Community Awareness. Millarville Historical Society received \$2,000 for Community Awareness in 2024.

CARRIED

**Millarville Racing and
Agricultural Society:**

Moved by Barb Castell that Millarville Racing & Agricultural Society be granted \$13,500 for Volunteer Appreciation, Recognition and Engagement. Millarville Racing & Agricultural Society received \$13,500 for Volunteer Appreciation, Recognition and Engagement in 2024.

CARRIED

**Priddis Community
Association:**

Moved by Barb Castell that Priddis Community Association be granted \$5,200 for the Priddis Millarville Fair Book. Priddis Community Association received \$7,500 for the combined application of Priddis Millarville Fair Book and Volunteer Recognition in 2024.

CARRIED

Rotary Club of

High River:

Moved by Rob Siewert that Rotary Club of High River be granted \$2,500 for Volunteer Appreciation. Rotary Club of High River received \$2,000 for the Volunteer Appreciation in 2024.

CARRIED

Square Butte Community Association:

Moved by Barb Castell that Square Butte Community Association be granted \$3,000 for Volunteer Appreciation. Square Butte Community Association received \$5,000 for their Volunteer Appreciation in 2024.

CARRIED

Valley Neighbours Club:

Moved by Barb Castell that Valley Neighbours Club be granted \$1,000 for the Seniors Connection Program. Valley Neighbours Club received \$1,000 for the Seniors Connection Program in 2024.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accept the FCSS Community Services Committee grant report as presented.