

**REPORT TO SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL COMMUNITY COMMISSION
MEETING OF THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025**

SUBJECT **Grant-In-Aid Application – Fulford Community Elementary School PAC**

ISSUE

To review one Grant-in-Aid application submission for the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area.

BACKGROUND

The Supplementary Letters Patent for Grant-In-Aid (GIA) requires Capital Regional District (CRD) approval to be obtained before any payments for GIA are made on behalf of one or more-member electoral areas to any organization deemed to be contributing to the general interests and advantage of the area.

This service covers the Electoral Areas (EA). Before exercising the powers described above, the Supplementary Letters Patent requires that the Salt Spring Island (SSI) Local Community Commission (LCC) obtain the written approval of the Director of each EA to the proposed GIA for such EA.

In 2023, the LCC directed that two annual intakes for Grant-in-Aid (GIA) funding be held for the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area—one in the spring and one in the fall. This application is being brought forward after the fall intake because it was submitted as part of the Grant-In-Aid fall intake, but it was not received.

Table 1: Salt Spring Island 2025 Grant-In-Aid Overall Summary

The approved 2025 Grant-in-Aid (GIA) budget for the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area is \$68,986. To date, a total of \$65,800 in GIA funding has been allocated to community organizations. This results in a remaining GIA balance of \$3,186.

2025 GIA Overall Summary	Core GIA		
	Budget	Spent	Remaining
SSI (\$)	68,986	65,800	3,186

Table 2: Salt Spring Island Grant-in-Aid Awarded for 2025

The Salt Spring Island 2025 Grant-in-Aid Awarded for 2025, lists GIA application submissions approved for 2025.

Grant-In-Aid Spring Intake Application – Approval Recommended		
Applicant	Project Title	Award (\$)
Transition Salt Spring Society	To organize the collection and chipping of invasive plants in spring 2025.	\$3,500

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Applicant	Project Title	Award (\$)
Salt Spring Historical Society	New large bed scanner to do the Grace Inlet and Bridgman Collections projects.	\$ 2,500
Gulf Islands Community Radio Society	Extending FM coverage to south end of SSI through repeater station on Mount Bruce.	\$ 5,000
Salt Spring Community Energy	Salt Spring Community Energy Agrivoltaics Project.	\$ 2,000
The Circle Salt Spring Education Society	Paid Intergenerational Co-facilitator for the Pass It On Girls program.	\$ 2,000
Salt Spring Therapeutic Riding Association	Arena Lighting for Therapeutic Riding Lessons.	\$ 3,000
GISRA	Regulatory Planning and Approvals and Financial feasibility/business planning for a 50-unit affordable rental project at 154-164 Kings Lane.	\$ 5,000
Salt Spring Island Rowing Club	Purchase of new, professional-quality oars for an expanding fleet of quad racing boats.	\$ 4,000
Restorative Justice Salt Spring Island	Build the organizational and volunteer capacity of Restorative Justice to respond to community conflict needs.	\$ 2,000
Salt Spring Island Farmland Trust Society	Further indigenous engagement - partners putting on the Indigenous Peoples Weekend on June 20-22, 2025.	\$ 4,000
Copper Kettle Community Partnership	To purchase Country Grocer Gift Cards	\$ 3,500
Bandemoniom Music Society	Assistance with the costs associated with three performances and one workshop.	\$ 1,000
The Diverse Village	Improve access to education, information and resources for ND families on SSI and Gulf Islands.	\$ 2,000
The Salish Sea Inter Island Transportation Society	Support the Tour des Iles 2025 2-day festival.	\$ 2,000
Salt Spring Island Minor Baseball Association	Baseball and Softball Field Tarping	\$ 2,000
Beaver Point Community Hall Association	Enclosing a portion of the back porch at Beaver Point Community Hall to use as safe storage.	\$3,000
Saltspring Chamber of Commerce	Assist with the cost for the Hands Across the Water event to be held the weekend of September 19 th to 21 st , 2025.	\$4,500
Salt Spring Gymnastics Association	Upgrading circus and gymnastics equipment for safety inclusion,	\$4,500
Graffiti Theatre Company Society	Assist with the cost for the Convergence Festival 2025.	\$2,000
Wagon Wheel Housing Society	Assist with the cost of machine repairs, parts, and labour as the warranties have expired.	\$4,500
Salt Spring Island Printmakers Society	Assist with the 2 nd Islands Printmaking Biennale held in April 2026 at ArtSpring.	\$800
Rural Islands Economic Partnership Society	Assist in the cost for the Cross Border Forum.	\$1,000
Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce	Truth and Reconciliation Gathering on Salt Spring Island for the Penelakut council on September 30 th , 2025.	\$2,000

Applicant	Project Title	Award (\$)
	Funding is for travel and honorarium of elders and drummers.	
2025 GIA Total		\$65,800

Table 3: 2025 Grant-In-Aid Application

The Fulford Community Elementary School PAC Grant-in-Aid submission included a Project Budget, Letter of Support and Bank Statements.

2025 Grant-In-Aid Application			
Applicant	Project Title	Amount Requested (\$)	Guideline \$5,000 Max (\$)
Fulford Community Elementary School PAC	Assist with the costs in building up Fulford's resource and infrastructure to better support Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies (ADST) education, with and initial focus on woodworking and cooking.	\$5,230	\$5,000

Table 4: Post Approval Funds Remaining

Insufficient funds exist to approve the Fulford Community Elementary School PAC in full.

2025 GIA Overall Summary	Core GIA		
	Remaining	GIA	Insufficient Funds
SSI (\$)	\$3,186	\$5,000	\$1,814

ALTERNATIVES

Alternative 1

That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission recommends the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area Director approve the Grant-in-Aid application to the Fulford Community Elementary School PAC in the amount of \$3,186.

Alternative 2

That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission recommends the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area Director deny the Grant-in-Aid application to the Fulford Community Elementary School PAC in the amount of \$3,186.

Alternative 3

That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission recommends that the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area Director award a different amount in support of the Grant-in-Aid application to the Fulford Community Elementary School PAC.

Alternative 4

That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission recommends the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area Director refer the Grant-in-Aid applications back to staff for more information.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission recommends the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area Director approve the Grant-in-Aid application to the Fulford Community Elementary School PAC in the amount of \$3,186.

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Appendix A: Grant-in-Aid Application – Fulford Community Elementary School PAC