

Community Information & Volunteer Centre

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Community grants benefit Kelowna

A total of \$80,000 in Community Social Development Grants and \$22,000 in Grants to Address the Sexual Exploitation of Youth are available from the City of Kelowna.

"Last year, all 16 organizations that applied received funding", explained Cheryl Miller, Grants Manager for the Central Okanagan. "Grants ranged in size from \$2,000 to \$10,000."

Registered non-profit organizations interested in applying are invited to attend an information session on Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 1 p.m. in the Pacific Safety Products Boardroom at the Rotary Centre for the Arts, 421 Cawston Avenue.

Changes to the Official Community Plan affect content required in these grant applications. The information session will review program updates that could impact the application and evaluation process.

Current grant application forms are available on the City of Kelowna website, kelowna.ca/grants and the deadline is February 24th. An advisory committee of six people reviews the applications and recommends funding.

Community Social Development Grants assist registered, non-profit societies and community organizations in the delivery of innovative, prevention-oriented programs designed to improve the quality of life for residents in Kelowna.

Grants to Address the Sexual Exploitation of Youth fund programs that directly address sexual exploitation issues for those under 19 years of age within the City of Kelowna.

Details about an organization's grant request must be summarized within three pages. What is the need for this program? What community support exists and how will this program cooperate with agencies providing similar services? What are the measurable performance targets and dates for implementation?

The application must also describe the population to be served and outline other sources of funding being pursued.

For more information, contact Cheryl Miller, Grants Manager, Central Okanagan Foundation at cheryl@centralokanaganfoundation.org or 250 861-6160.

Completed applications are due by 3:30 p.m. Friday, February 25, 2011, and should be dropped off at the Central Okanagan Foundation, 217-1889 Springfield Road, Kelowna.

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