
INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

GAMING GRANTS SUPPORT CHRISTMAS HAMPERS, FOOD BANKS

VICTORIA – Gaming grants totalling \$853,700 will help to stock shelves and raise spirits at nearly two dozen food banks and seasonal hamper programs serving less fortunate families and individuals in 21 B.C. communities, Solicitor General Rich Coleman announced today.

Every group that applied for funds for seasonal programs is receiving a grant equal to or greater than what they received last year. Recipients include the Elves Club in Gibsons, the Kamloops Food Bank and Outreach Society, and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Vancouver Island.

In addition to the seasonal grants, the Province is:

- Awarding \$619,000 to 48 groups across B.C. involved in arts and culture, delivering human and social services, and facilitating sports for youth and people with disabilities.
- Making nearly \$2.1 million in payments under multi-year agreements with 51 human and social services; arts, culture and sport; and environment-related groups.
- Providing \$52,880 to 11 parent advisory councils that filed late grant applications for 2010-11.

More details of all of these payments are available at:

www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/gaming/reports/grants-cgg-december-payments-2010-11.pdf

The Province has budgeted \$120 million for community gaming grants in 2010-11 – \$7.4 million more than last year – and allocated almost \$80 million to date. The approximately 6,000 organizations that will receive grants this year support people in need, public safety, youth arts and sports, education and parent and district advisory councils.

The Province considers applications for community gaming grants four times per year, with each intake devoted to a specific sector. For more information about community gaming grants, please visit: www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/gaming/grants/

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A backgrounder follows.

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BACKGROUND

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The gaming grants listed below by community were distributed Dec. 16.

100 Mile House total: \$41,000

100 Mile House Food Bank Society, \$41,000

Abbotsford total: \$25,000

Abbotsford Community Services, \$25,000

Aldergrove total: \$18,700

Lifeline Outreach Society, \$18,700

Ashcroft total: \$5,000

South Cariboo Elizabeth Fry Society, \$5,000

Courtenay-Comox total: \$40,000

Comox Valley Food Bank Society, \$40,000

Creston total: \$10,000

Creston Valley Gleaners Society, \$10,000

Gibsons total: \$20,000

Elves Club, \$20,000

Golden total: \$15,000

Golden Food Bank Society, \$15,000

Kamloops total: \$100,000

Kamloops Food Bank and Outreach Society, \$100,000

Kelowna total: \$60,000

Kelowna Community Food Bank Society, \$60,000

Kitimat total: \$25,000

Kitimat Community Services Society, \$25,000

Maple Ridge total: \$66,000

Friends in Need Food Bank Society, \$66,000

Mill Bay total: \$30,000

Cobble Hill-Mill Bay-Shawnigan Lake Food Bank Society, \$30,000

Merritt total: \$40,000

Nicola Valley and District Food Bank Society, \$40,000

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Nanaimo total: \$70,000

Loaves and Fishes Food Bank Foundation, \$70,000

Nelson total: \$40,000

Nelson Food Cupboard Society, \$40,000

Port Hardy total: \$40,000

Port Hardy Harvest Food Bank, \$40,000

Richmond total: \$12,000

Richmond Fruit Tree Sharing Project, \$12,000

Sorrento total: \$16,000

Sorrento Food Bank, \$16,000

Surrey total: \$45,000

Surrey Christmas Bureau Society, \$45,000

Victoria total: \$135,000

Society of St. Vincent De Paul of Vancouver Island, \$100,000

Saanich Neighbourhood Place, \$35,000

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