



BURNABY
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April 27th, 2018

Financial Management Committee
The Office of the City Clerk
c/o Financial Management Committee
4949 Canada Way
Burnaby, BC, V4G 1M2

Re: 2017 Grant Request for Burnaby Recreation Credit Program

Dear Councillor Dan Johnston and members of the Financial Management Committee,

Since 1996 the City of Burnaby has awarded Burnaby Community Services with an annual grant to administer a portion of the Burnaby Recreation Credit program.

Our grant request for 2018 is \$24,296. This amount reflects a base amount of \$17,000 annually for fixed program expenses (such as office space, office equipment & supplies, telecom, insurance, and staff salaries and benefits); and an additional \$7,296 based \$4 per approved application from the previous year to reflect variable costs (such as printing & reproductions, postage and additional staff hours).

Background

Founded in 1971, *Burnaby Community Services* is a charitable society providing people who need support with a voice, resources and opportunities. We believe change can only occur when people are empowered to improve their lives and their community.

Since the fall of 1996, Burnaby Community Services has assisted *Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services* by administering income verification services for the Burnaby Recreation Credit program. The Recreation Credit program provides low- income residents with credits that can be used towards various programs and admissions offered through Burnaby Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services.

Burnaby Community Services is responsible for:

- ❖ providing intake of application forms from low income individuals, families and seniors, and those on Long Term Disability or Canada Pension Plan;
- ❖ processing relevant documents (e.g. T1 Generals, Notice of Assessments, proof of Burnaby residency, Child Tax Benefit and BC Family Bonus Notice); and
- ❖ determining eligibility based on approved criteria.

We are pleased to continue providing this service as Burnaby Community Services offers a range of programs and publications to support families with low income and seniors experiencing isolation.

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Our grant request

This request is for \$24,296, \$17,000 base grant plus an additional sum of \$7,296.

The additional sum is based on the number of approved applications in 2017. Last year we approved 1,824 applications (including 531 new applicants), or 4,642 people for the Burnaby Recreation Credit program.

Furthermore, as part of our ongoing partnership Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services has agreed that, given our ongoing contribution to the Burnaby Recreation Credit program, Burnaby Community Services will be recognized in major promotional materials.

Thank you for your continuous support and consideration. If you require any additional information, please feel free to contact me at 604-292-3904.

Sincerely,



Stephen D'Souza,
Executive Director

Cc: Kerry Teves, Community Development Coordinator, *Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services*