

South of Town Events

June, July & August, 2021

From the Area C Director....

The weather has improved and the restrictions are loosening – those are certainly reasons to celebrate! Hopefully we'll have everything under control by the end of the summer so that this coming winter will look a lot different than the last one – are you with me? Let's do all that we can in order to reach that goal.

One of the more interesting items on the agenda this month was the assessment of the numerous requests the qRD receives for funding and the awarding of money to those that qualify. This can sometimes be challenging because it's rare for us to receive a request that we don't support emotionally but sometimes the requests fall outside our mandate, don't serve enough of the populace or the requesting body is in a financially stable condition and has the ability to fund the program itself. Among the successful applicants this year are the following:

- Therapeutic Riding
- Powell River Outdoor Recreation Users Group
- Powell River Film Society
- Powell River and District United Way (ORCA Bus Program)
- Pacific Rim International Student Music Academy (PRISMA)
- Powell River Salmon Society (Technology upgrade, salmon hatchery)
- Tourism Powell River
- Sunshine Coast Tourism
- Powell River Hospice Society
- Inclusion Powell River Society
- LIFT Community Services
- Myrtle Point Golf Club

One item of good news particularly for the residents of Area C is the confirmation that the qRD has been awarded \$25,000 by the UBCM to purchase and stock a community evacuation supplies container to be located at Kelly Creek Community School. qRD staff are working with SD47 to decide on the best location for the container and hope to have it in place by the end of the year. This is the fifth emergency supplies container to be located in the qRD.

In closing, the qRD would like to recognize June 21st as National Indigenous Peoples Day - an official day of celebration for all Canadians to recognize and honour the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people.

South of Town Events will take a break over the summer – see you in September!

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