

About the Village of Haines Junction Lottery Grant

The Village of Haines Junction receives funding from Lotteries Yukon through the Community Lottery Program for community projects. The objective of the Community Lottery Program is to provide municipalities and local authorities with funding to support programs/projects that sustain and contribute to the growth of art, sport and recreation within their communities. The program strives to improve the quality of life for all Yukon people through participation or availability of art, sport and recreation.

On behalf of Council, The Culture, Parks and Recreation Committee reviews grant applications three times per year and makes recommendations to Council. Historically, the Village receives approximately \$20,000/year to allocate within the community. The fund is allocated in three allotments (March, June and October). Applications to the Haines Junction Lottery Funding Grant must be submitted by March 15, June 15 or October 15. The Committee typically allocates 1/3 of the funding received from the Community Lottery Program to each intake.

In 2017, the CPR Committee adopted a more transparent and systematic approach to how we review funding applications. Each application was reviewed and scored by the CPR committee using a points-based system. The criteria used for this system was derived from the Haines Junction Lotteries Grant criteria, Lotteries Yukon and the Haines Junction Recreation Plan. In 2017, during each intake evaluation process, the Committee noted and identified where the existing criteria is challenging to evaluate objectively and where the existing criteria may prohibit or deter growth and opportunity in recreation.

2017 in Review

In 2017, the Committee received *grant requests* for a total of \$43,854.23 but the Village of Haines Junction received \$20,028 for distribution in our community from Lotteries Yukon. As with most years, there is a significant shortfall in the amount of money requested from our community and the amount of money the Committee can allocate within the community.

- For the March 2017 intake, the Committee received \$27,690.23 in requests for funding. As this was the first funding intake for the year, the Committee opted to allocate just over 1/3 of it's funding for the year and granted \$7,340 to community groups.
- For the June 2017 intake, the Committee received one request for \$800 and granted this request.
- For the October 2017 intake, the Committee received three requests for a total of \$15,364 and granted \$11,928 to community groups.

The Culture, Parks and Recreation Committee values the input we received from the community. If you have any questions or concerns about the Lotteries Grant process or would like to provide input to our ongoing review of the application process and criteria, please provide your feedback by contacting the village office, visiting www.volunteerhainesjunction.com/feedback or attending the CPR Recreation Open House on Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 pm in the Atrium of the St. Elias Convention Centre.

