



Allocation of the 2014 Sustainability Grants

- The purpose of this report is to present a summary of the Sustainability Grant applications for 2014 and provide recommendations for consideration by Council.



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- The Sustainability Grant program is designed to assist local, not-for-profit community organizations with new initiatives or special projects that benefit the Victoria community and further the City's efforts to foster a sustainable community. The maximum grant amount is \$10,000.



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- This year there were a total of 26 submissions. The total budget for this grant program, allocated by Council in the 2014 Financial Plan, is \$86,542.
- Six applications were deemed ineligible or were outside the scope of the grant program
- Two applications were encouraged to apply for other, more appropriate grant programs
- Of the remaining 18 applications, 13 applications meet the program criteria and are recommended for funding.



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Staff's analysis of the grants is based on:

- the grant policy,
- the assessment criteria for the program,
- the direct benefit to Victoria residents,
- the strength of the linkages to the OCP and other major policy documents,
- the submitted budget and the number of applications which meet or exceed the stated criteria.



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Organization	Project	Recommended
Bipolar Disorder Society of BC	Stigma Stomp Classroom Project and Community Presentations	\$6,500
Burnside Gorge Community Association	Youth Self –Sufficiency (YSS)	\$7,500
Community Social Planning Council of Greater Victoria	Building Resilient Neighbourhoods	\$7,500
Friends Uniting for Nature Society (FUN Society)	FUN Champs	\$6,000
Healing Cities Institute Society	Living in the New Economy	\$6,000
Home is Where We Live – LifeCycles Project Society	From the Ground Up – Supporting sustainable gardening in low-income communities	\$8,000
Inter-Cultural Association of Greater Victoria	Hands On: Living Puppet Traditions	\$5,000
Oaklands Community Association	Oaklands Market Sustainability Internship Program	\$9,000
Quadra School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)	Creating a vibrant and sustainable landscape at Quadra Elementary	\$8,292
Society of Friends of St. Ann's Academy	Bringing Leadership to Life	\$7,500
Victoria Brain Injury Society	Youth Supporting Youth	\$5,800
Victoria Cool Aid Society	Community Volunteer Training Program	\$4,675
World Fisheries Trust	Citizens Under the Sea: Mobile Seaquaria in Victoria	\$4,775