



News Release

2011 Olds Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Grants Approved

15 April 2011, Olds, Alberta - Olds Town Council approved the 2011 FCSS grants to organizations at its meeting on April 11, 2011. This year, nine organizations will share in an amount just over \$103,000:

- Olds Parent Link \$1500 for the “Triple P” Parenting Program.
- Boys and Girls Club \$37,000 to support development of youth programs and Jungle Junction.
- Family School Wellness \$24,965 to support social and emotional needs of children and families.
- Chinook Arch Victim’s Services \$5000 to provide volunteer training and recognition efforts.
- Olds Welcoming and Inclusive Communities \$3000 to address cultural diversity, public awareness and strategies for community advocacy.
- Inspiring Change \$6600 for the Inspiring Teens program.
- Olds Jr/Sr High School \$4665 for youth leadership development initiatives.
- Mountain View Communities Adult Learning Society \$7238 for preschool literacy programs.
- Youth Empowerment and Support Program (YES) \$13,000 for programming to connect with youth.

FCSS is a unique 80/20 funding partnership between the province and municipalities that has been operating for the past 35 years. These funds are provided by the province to enhance the social well-being of individuals and families through promotion or intervention strategies provided at the earliest opportunity. Through collaboration and partnership, local FCSS programs address community needs and contribute to sustaining citizens as active participants in community life.

In addition to approving grants, Council amended the FCSS bylaw in order to appoint its members as the 2011 FCSS Board. It has been a challenge to secure sufficient community members for a board over the past two years. If sufficient interest is generated and interested community members are identified, Council will re-create a volunteer based FCSS Board.



Organizations that provide social prevention programs and services that believe they might qualify for FCSS funding are welcome to contact the Community Services Department at the Town of Olds. Grant applications for 2012 projects will be accepted in October of this year. Watch the paper for details.

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