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Mountain View Power Grant Committee Announces Recipients of Fall 2024 Grant Program

Olds, Alta. **November 26, 2025** - Mountain View Power (MVP) is a community organization that powers the community. Several local community groups have received a boost from the MVP Community Grant Program, funded by designated profits from MVP. The grant committee made their selections from the Fall 2024 applications, choosing several fantastic groups which met its guidelines for funding. As a community-driven organization, Mountain View Power has been a positive influence on Olds and surrounding areas by allocating a fraction of profits to organizations which are important to the community.

\$16,600 Mountain View Foodbank (MVFB) – Firehall Bay Door Supports Renovation

MVFB has been offered the opportunity to move their operation to the Town of Olds' "old firehall", which will provide an expanded service to clients that utilize their services. The purpose of this project is to repair the cracked pilasters providing support to the north side of the building. Steel supports need to be added and replaced with proper walls to reduce heat loss during the winter months.

\$6,600 Mountain View Hospice Society – Enhancement of Bereavement Spaces

The purpose of this project is to develop a dedicated bereavement space at their new office location and a family room space at Seasons Encore. This initiative aims to provide essential support to families and individuals dealing with the emotional and psychological challenges of end-of-life care and grief. *This will fund the purchase of a hide-a-bed and a recliner for the space at Seasons Encore

\$6,000 Mountain View Seniors Housing Foundation – Active Seniors and Stronger Communities: Building Health and Community Through Fitness

The purpose of this project is to enhance the indoor fitness options for their senior residents, particularly during the cold months. The purchase of a NuStep T5 Recumbent Cross Trainer will



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allow the residents to maintain their physical health. Currently, Mount View Lodge only has one exercise bike for 90 residents.

\$15,000 Olds Lions Club – Memorial Forest/Columbaria Pathway Project

With the support of the Town of Olds we developed the Lions Memorial Forest. The pathways within the forest need to be paved in concrete to make the area weatherproof and more aesthetic. Completing the pathways will also benefit the many family members who will visit their loved ones in the columbaria area.

\$3,300 The Lending Shelf – As We Grow

There are so many aspects to this project. They want to expand to include styling events for the Dress For Success program. This requires portable changing spaces and mirrors. They will begin a small sewing station for upcycling and repairing clothing and in time grow to include sewing skills training and provide mending services. The Equipment for the sewing station has already been donated. The Lending Shelf has been offered space in the Town's old firehall, and some of this ask includes ceiling tile replacement, paint, proper floor mats in that building. *This will fund the portable changing spaces, mirrors, coat storage and racks.

\$2,500 Mount View Special Riding Association (MVSRA) – Infrastructure Plan

MVSRA provides therapeutic riding programs for riders with a variety of disabilities. The 6-week Spring and Fall Sessions are held once a week and include two riding classes and one driving (harness & cart for wheelchair participants). Each class runs for approximately 60 minutes and is coordinated by a CanTRA certified instructor. This application is threefold: replacement of their wireless speaker system, purchase of new driving shafts, and replacement of expired safety helmets.

The MVP Community Grant Program has once again demonstrated its positive impact on the Olds community and surrounding areas by distributing \$50,000 for this Fall 2024 funding session. A grand total of \$247,000 has been invested back into the community since June 2023. Anyone interested in supporting MVP and giving back to your community while saving on electricity and natural gas while, can visit www.mountianviewpower.com.



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SPRING 2025 GRANT APPLICATIONS

Community groups can apply for the next community grant application intake in Spring 2025. More information about the MVP Community Grants can be found at www.olds.ca/mvp.

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