



\$100,000 in community grants available from Interior Savings

Kelowna, BC (September 19, 2023) – Interior Savings is making \$100,000 of seed funding available to local non-profit organizations across BC's interior through its [Community Investment Fund](#).

Since 2007, Interior Savings' Community Investment Fund has returned over \$2 million to the community in the form of grants between \$3,000 and \$15,000, depending on the project scope and anticipated community impact. These one-time grants are designed to help launch new or substantially expanding programs that empower people with the knowledge, skills and confidence required to achieve their potential.

“The non-profit organizations in our communities are consistently being tasked to take on more and stretch their resources to ensure those needing a helping hand have it” says Brian Harris, CEO of Interior Savings. “As a cooperative organization, we recognize the importance of playing an active role in our communities and supporting those who do so much. The Community Investment Fund is one way we help to create healthier, more livable communities for everyone.”

Grant applications are evaluated on their ability to have far-reaching and positive impact on the community and align with the social impact goals of the co-operative including empowering young parents, maintaining mental wellness, supporting social connections, and fostering a strong local economy.



Representatives from Kamloops-Cariboo Regional Immigrant Society and Interior Savings celebrate contribution from Interior Savings Community Investment Fund in Childmind Children and Parent Connections Program.

Last fall, [projects funded by Interior Savings](#) through a \$77,902 investment in the community included equipment and assistive aids for older adults, preventative substance use education for youth, adaptive cross-country skis for people with mobility challenges, grief and bereavement services for children and youth, and technology needed for remote court testimony for victims of crime.

Non-profit organizations are encouraged to [apply](#) before the deadline of September 30. Recipients will be announced in November.

Grants through the Community Investment Fund, alongside emergent support such as the Interior Savings [Wildfire Relief Loans](#), continue to demonstrate the *Local Money for Local Good* approach the member-owned credit union has taken since they opened their doors in 1939.

About

Interior Savings is a member-owned, democratically controlled credit union dedicated to creating local money while helping to build vibrant communities. Through its 25 branches, 16 insurance offices, Member Service Centre, and two Commercial Service Centres, the Credit Union offers personal and commercial banking and a full range of insurance and wealth management services to more than 90,000 members across 17 communities. In the last 10 years, Interior Savings has returned \$29 million to members through its Member Rewards Program and invested over \$5 million in support of community programs. Learn more at interiorsavings.com or visit Interior Savings on [Facebook](#) or [Do Some Good](#).

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