GENERAL INFORMATION

| Name of Organization Requesting Grant: (Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis) | Whistler Valley Quilters' Guild |
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| Name of the program(s) (if applicable): | Curves and Transparency : Tamara Kate Instructor |
| Society Registration Number: | S-57306 |
| Organization Mailing Address: | |
| Contact Name & Title: | Sarah Leyshon-Hughes, Co-President |
| Organization Phone Number: | |
| Organization Email Address: | |
| Organization Purpose or Mandate: (Please provide this answer in one sentence) | Promote, teach and share our skills of quilting and fibre arts with the Sea 2 Sky Community. |
| Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Services, Community Services, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture) | Arts and Culture |

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

| How many years has the organization existed? | Over 31 years |
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| How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? (e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year) | Approximately 43 (paid and honorary) |
| For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs? | n/a |
| How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year? | Approximately 34 (including weekend visitors) |
| How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year? | We rely on volunteers from the membership to contribute to the organization. There are 6 Executive members, including the co-presidents. |
| Age range of participants in the organization: | Approximately 25 - 85 |

| Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.): | https://whistlerquilters.com/ Whistler Valley Quilters Guild-FB @whistlerquiltersIG |
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| What are the membership and participation requirements? | Annual membership fee, currently \$45.00 and open to anyone interested in quilting, fibre arts and other sewing skills. Members are asked to volunteer for projects as arise over the course of the year. |
| Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason. Note: Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings) | None |

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant

Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.

Annually the Guild organizes a 2 day workshop, which is made available to our members. This year we have booked TamaraKate, a Montreal based fabric, pattern designer and teacher. The program is entitled, "Curves and Transparency," and draws also on material presented in her workshop of "Building Colour Confidence". The workshop is designed to enhance the skills and quality of the quilts we produce, both for personal use, and as for donations for charitable events/and community need. The Instructor also is preparing a fabric kit, which can be purchased by members who are participating in the Workshop.

The workshop enables the members to work together as a group to create, share skills and develop relationships with each other, and within the community, and contributes to the general good of both.

As with all things in our economy, the costs related to quilting have gone up significantly. Material is more expensive, supplies (Batting, thread, backing,glue) have increased in price, as has the cost of hiring good instructors for workshops such as this. Many of our members actually donate the material from their own "stash" to enable quilts to be produced, as well as sending out the more elaborate quilts to be "Long armed" (professionally quilted by a very complex and expensive machine) at their personal cost to ensure the quilt is finished beautifully. This is what enables us to donate quilts to charitable auctions, at no charge, to raise money for the work they do within the community. (Audain Museum, Search and Rescue, Squamish Hospice, Squamish Gift Shop, Pearl's Place, Whistler Adaptive Sports for example) in addition to the contributions to members of the community who have fallen on unfortunate times and are in need of comfort.

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?

If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?

The purpose of the grant is to fund education for our membership who pay a fee as well for participation. This enables the membership to improve their individual skills, and create quality product for the community charitable giving. In addition to this, it fosters a sense of community among the members, many of whom have few connections in the community and gives a sense of belonging. It is a new workshop and instructor for the Guild, and our members are always looking for means to upgrade their knowledge and skills.

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:

Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.

We have also contributed to the WHCC (over 450 Ice Bag Covers) and reusable fabric tote bags (52 last year) to the Food Bank Program.

Quilts given to charity for auction: 31 or for benefiting their constituents Quilts given to those in the community in need: 6 (direct contribution)

Members also participate in the Stitches in the Stacks program put on by the library, again promoting the work that the guild does, and encouraging people to participate.

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:

- 1. List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and
- 2. Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).

This workshop will be funded as well from fees from the members attending as well as the generosity of the CEP grant.

No other grant money has been applied for.

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:

Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents you provide in your application

| | Annual Operating Budget | Grant Requested | Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.) |
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| Salaries/contracts: | | | |
| General operations: | 1,915.00 | | |
| One-time project / program: | 3,155.00 | 2,500.00 | |
| Physical assets: | | | |
| Rent (RMOW facilities): | | N/A | |
| Rent (other facilities): | | | |
| Other: | 18470.00 | | |
| Total | \$ 22,020.00 | \$ 2,500.00 | 11% (Grant request ÷ Annual budgetamount) |
| | | | Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than |

6. Additional Information:

Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.

Over 30 years ago WVQG was founded (several of our original members are still with the Guild). We have been contributing to the community during all this time. We meet twice a month (Sept through May) and each meeting provides an opportunity to share ideas, bring members up to date on what individuals are doing, and also an opportunity to give instruction/and reference websites to those who request, or to the membership at large, depending on what has been requested. Many of our meetings are over Zoom providing an opportunity for members to meet in the comfort of their own homes. We are also fortunate to have members who will host gatherings at their homes, and resident members provide accommodation for those who are out of town, if requested. This workshop will generate interest and excitement among members, and we believe will have a positive impact on the quality of members' work going forward.

We encourage you to visit our website (www.whistlerquiltersguild.com) where photographs of our work are displayed providing insight into the quality of the work produced. assisted by these sponsored workshops over the years.

We appreciate the support and interest from the past, and sincerely hope you will grant our request for this year's event.

50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.

| 7. Attachments: | Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form: | |
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| Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required) Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required) Other: | | |
| COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS | | |
| 8. Please describe how your organization can contribute to the RMOW Strategic Plan: | learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan: 1. Housing | |
| Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because | | |
| This grant contributes specifically to the priority of Community Engagement. We bring together locals and part time locals for a common purpose: that of camaraderie, artistic creativeness. It also assists in furthering the good works of many local organizations through quilt donations for individuals and silent auctions, food bank shopping bags and medical center ice bag covers. | | |

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

| The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for planning on unceded territories, as currently managed by the provincial government; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy. |
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| 9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations? |
| We have not specifically considered this topic, however, have contributed to the Indigenous Nations through our Ice Bag program (sent to the clinic in Mount Currie) and also, should anyone be in specific need of a quilt from the local area we would certainly look at the request. There is an organization which provides assistance to survivors of the residential school system which we have supported in the past (Quilts for Survivors) and we have donated 10 quilts to the Mount Currie Women's Shelter. |
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GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

| Submitted by: | Sarah Leyshon-Hughes |
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| Phone number: | |
| Email: | |
| Acknowledgement: | ✓ I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true; ✓ I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting; ✓ I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year; |
| | I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council. |
| Signature: | Digitally signed by Sarah Leyshon-Hughes Date: 2025.02.01 09:02:34 -08'00' |

Funding decisions will be announced during a Regular Council Meeting in April 2025.

Please contact the Legislative Services Department at corporate@whistler.ca if you require any assistance.