

## Appendix B

### Fee for Service Recipient Organizations 2026 Baseline Funding Increase Requests

In accordance with *Council Policy A-39 Fee for Service* (Policy A-39) (Appendix B), the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) provides funding to local not-for-profit organizations that provide programs and/or services that Council considers necessary to move the RMOW toward achieving the vision, goals and objectives identified in its Official Community Plan (OCP). Policy A-39 also aims to meet key objectives through the FFS program including value for money, the community benefiting from the expertise and experience of FFS recipient organizations and delivery of services or programs that if not provided by the FFS recipients, would necessitate delivery by the RMOW.

Each FFS recipient has an active agreement with the RMOW that spans 2025 through 2027. Under Policy A-39 Section 6.6, they may apply for an increase: “FFS Funding Agreements provide FFS Recipients and new applicants with certainty of baseline funding. Any requested funding increases are decided by Council during the RMOW budget and Five-Year Financial Plan decision-making process.”

FFS recipients have requested the following increases for 2026. The total for all requests is \$31,400.

All recipients requested increases to address inflation, citing different rates and sources. The “Standard CPI” column below substitutes 1.983 per cent as a standard rate to each organization to address variances in these requests and is rounded to the nearest dollar. This figure was determined by taking the average 12-month percentage change over the past year (Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2025) from Stats Canada’s Consumer Price Index Portal. Also note that the SSISC requested two separate baseline increases and only one was included to be consistent with percentage increases adjusted for all organizations equally.

Increases are not currently included in the CECS operating budget and are at the discretion of Council to add.

<b>2026 Fee for Service Baseline Increase Summary</b>			
<b>FFS Recipient</b>	<b>Request(s)</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Adjusted ask using Standard CPI (1.983%)</b> <i>Represents consistent inflation increase over baseline for each organization</i>
Whistler Arts Council (AW)	Increase annual baseline funding from \$594,825 to \$606,722 (+\$11,897).	AW applied for an inflationary increase to their fee for service rate for 2026. The current CPI year-on-year increase is approximately 2% as indicated by the Bank of Canada, which is represented in their requested baseline increase	+\$11,795 increase in funding (\$606,620 total)

Whistler Museum and Archives Society (WMAS)	Increase annual baseline funding from \$224,950 to \$230,124 (+\$5,174).	WMAS has requested an increase to address staffing costs, rising facility and utility expenses, program delivery and collections care, activities. The CPI for British Columbia has increased by approximately 2.3% since last year due to BC Stats, which is reflected in their request.	+\$4,461 increase in funding (\$229,411 total)
Whistler Animals Galore (WAG)	Increase annual baseline funding from \$124,373 to \$128,373 (+\$4,000).	WAG is seeking to cover wage increases for staff in 2026. "We've managed to keep our wages relatively stable, with a slight increase of \$3,953.67, mostly due to EI, CPP, WCB, and medical benefits increases."	+\$2,466 increase in funding (\$126,839 total)
Whistler Off-Road Cycling Association (WORCA)	Increase annual baseline funding from \$290,925 to \$297,616 (+\$6,691).	WORCA has requested an increase based on cost of living to be reflected in trail crew wages using the 12-month average CPI data for Vancouver that will be available at the start of December. The CPI for British Columbia has increased by approximately 2.3% since last year due to BC Stats, which is reflected in their request.	+\$5,769 increase in funding (\$296,694 total)
Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council (SSISC)	Increase annual baseline funding from \$75,705 to \$77,219 (+\$1,514).	SSISC is predicting a 2% operating cost increase across all planned programming in 2026. They are requesting a matching increase in funding.	+\$1,501 increase in funding (\$77,206 total)
	Increase annual baseline funding an additional \$2,124 (for a total of \$79,343)	SSISC would like to increase their Education and Outreach programming to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species in Whistler, specifically the curled pondweed from Alta Lake and Green Lake. They propose to do this by setting up an outreach booth during the summer months to provide	\$0 (not included as it is beyond the inflation increase to baseline funding)

		public education and resources.	
	<b>Total: \$31,400</b>		<b>Total: \$25,992</b>