

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Howe Sound Women's Centre Society
Society Registration Number:	S-16716
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 2052 Squamish, BC V8B 0B4
Contact Name & Title:	Shana Murray, Community Program Director
Organization Phone Number:	(604) 892-5748
Organization Email Address:	cmp@hswc.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: <i>(Please provide this answer in one sentence.)</i>	To provide crisis intervention, support, an advocacy for women and children in the community who are experiencing violence and adversity.

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	39
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year?	The Howe Sound Women's Centre (HSWC) has 47 active members. In 2020, we had over 2,300 visits to our drop-in centres, provided 1:1 emotional support to 589 Women and 972 support calls, and supported 61 women and 23 children in our emergency housing for a total of 1,257 bed nights.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	51 volunteers, including 9 board members, and 43 paid staff members.
Age range of participants in the organization:	0 – 80 years of age.
Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	Website: hswc.ca Facebook: HoweSoundWomensCentre Instagram: womenscentre Twitter: thewmn_ctr Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCndyN0Cm8hRsLWU2TBYYZ0g/featured
Can anyone join the organization or participate? If no, please specify the restrictions and requirements for membership or participation:	Anyone can become a volunteer or become a member of the HSWC (annual membership \$20, \$5 low-barrier fee). Anyone identifying as a woman, trans, Two-Spirit, or non-binary and all children requiring services can participate in all programs and services at no cost and we encourage fathers to participate in the counselling program.
Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason:	No

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant:	<i>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.</i>
<p>The PEACE (Prevention, Education, Advocacy, Counselling, and Empowerment) Program offers support and counselling services to children, youth and their families in Whistler and Pemberton who are experiencing conflict through abuse/violence in relationships and/or conflict through separation and divorce. The HSWC receives funding for 17.5 staff hours a week from the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General for both communities. The program has been operating at 31 hours per week which includes 7.5 hours funded by community donations and 6 hours funded by the RMOW. However, due to increased need in the community, there is now an average waitlist of seven children. With increased funds from the Community Enrichment Grant, HSWC intend to increase the PEACE counselling hours to 35 hours per week in order to meet increased demand and mitigate the waitlist to effectively meet the growing needs of the children, youth and families within Whistler and Pemberton.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No this is not a new program.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>Last year (2020), the PEACE Program in Whistler/Pemberton supported 29 children and youth through 188 hours of individual counselling sessions, 72 hours of support groups, 13 kids through HSWC's summer camp program, 97 parent/caregiver support hours, and 32 family counselling hours. Through the PEACE program, children and youth learn how to identify hard to handle feelings and how to express them in healthy ways, recognize their strengths, and increase their self-confidence and self-esteem. They learn effective problem solving and coping skills, how to define and protect boundaries, how to keep themselves safe and to identify safe and supportive people in their life, and better understand the concept of healthy relationships. Most importantly, children are provided with a safe, supportive, nurturing environment to deal with traumatic events in their lives and learn that they are not alone and not at fault for the conflict/abuse they have witnessed and experienced. Parents are involved in the counselling process by learning skills and tools that will enable them to support their child/ren through difficulties associated with separation, divorce and gender-based violence.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> 2. <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General - \$50,648 (approved)</p> <p>RMOW CEP Grant - \$10,000 (pending)</p> <p>General Donations \$10,381.42</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:		<i>Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents you provide in your application.</i>	
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	<i>Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)</i>
Salaries/contracts:	60,543.66	10,000	
General operations:			
One-time project / program:	10,485.76		
Physical assets:			
Rent (RMOW facilities):		N/A	
Rent (other facilities):			
Other:			
Total	\$ 71,029.42	\$ 10,000	<u>14</u> % (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
<i>Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.</i>			


6. Additional Information:	<i>Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.</i>
	<p>If successful, HSWC will work towards eliminating the waitlist for PEACE counselling while supporting 40 to 60 children and 10 to 16 parents. If we not successful in receiving this grant, the PEACE program will have to cut back counselling hours which means we will not be able to support as many children, youth, and families. Many families seek HSWC services because it is free of charge and they cannot afford other options in the community that charge a fee for service. This means that families will have to wait on a waitlist until they can be seen.</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support and we hope that you will consider supporting our essential community program again this year.</p>

7. Attachments:	<i>Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (Required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (Required) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Children, Youth and Family Programs Brochure

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

<p>Please list how your organization may improve Community Performance Indicators:</p>	<p>First, please visit www.whistler.ca/monitoring to learn about the five priority areas of Whistler's <i>Community Performance Indicators</i> (CPI):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Enriching Community Life</i> 2. <i>Enhancing the Resort Experience</i> 3. <i>Protecting the Environment</i> 4. <i>Ensuring Economic Viability</i> 5. <i>Partnering for Success</i> <p>Secondly, identify how your grant (or organization) may improve any CPIs described in the five areas listed above.</p> <p>Note: Each priority listed above has numerous areas of measurement to choose from and all are listed with their existing statistical trend at www.whistler.ca/monitoring</p>
<p><i>Example: This grant addresses the priority of “Enriching Community Life” because it improves personal health status, a sense of belonging and increases resident volunteer rates. Specifically, this is because...</i></p>	
<p>Enriching community life This program directly improves the physical, mental, spiritual, and social well-being and health of children, youth and their families in Whistler. The program strives to keep children/youth healthy, safe, connected and active in the community. When children and youth have a safe, supportive place to talk about their feelings and learn ways of coping, they are less likely to engage in destructive, harmful, abusive behaviour, including using substances as they get older. We also know that when a child feels safe and supported, they have a better chance at succeeding in school, participating in community life, and striving for a better future for themselves. One day these children will grow up and be positive role models participating in Whistler community life. Parents/caregivers receive parent support around conflict/abuse and learn skills and tools so they can support their child/ren and build a safe connected family.</p> <p>Ensuring economic viability HSWC, through the Whistler Women’s Centre, Safe Home, Transition House, Homeless Prevention Program, and PEACE programs offer survivors of gender-based violence and their children safe housing and ongoing support to give them the option to increase their safety and heal from violence and abuse while staying within their home community and maintaining their employment. By offering free, low barrier, non-judgmental, confidential support to all survivors in the community, the HSWC programs and services supports Whistler residents in continuing to engage fully in the economic, social, cultural, and recreational opportunities that make Whistler the vibrant community that it is. HSWC violence prevention efforts also contribute to long-term savings in community safety, crime prevention, and healthcare costs.</p> <p>Partnering for success Working collaboratively in partnership with other agencies, law enforcement, and the justice system is paramount to realizing the HSWC vision of a violence free future. With that in mind, WWC actively participates in cross-sectoral committees and partner relationships focused on ending gender-based violence, including RCMP, Victim Services, Ending Violence Association of BC, BC Society of Transition Houses, Sea to Sky Community Services, Mental Health and Addiction, the Ministry of Children and Family Development, and the Whistler Non-Profit Network. Specifically, within the PEACE program, the counsellors partner with schools and other organizations within Whistler to be able to effectively support more children and youth through support groups.</p>	

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Ashley Oakes
Phone number:	(604) 892-5748
Email:	aokes@hswc.ca
Acknowledgement:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that if any amount is granted that the the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that if any amount is granted it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.
Signature:	

Funding decisions will be announced during a Regular Council Meeting in April 2021.

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



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HOWE SOUND WOMEN'S CENTRE SOCIETY
38021 THIRD AVE
BOX 2052
SQUAMISH BC V8B 0B4

November 23, 2011

Society Number: S-0016716

Subject: Business Number Issued by Canada Revenue Agency

As part of a provincial – federal partnership, the Corporate Registry and the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) have developed an agreement to assign a Business Number to every Society operating in B.C.

Under this agreement, a Business Number has been assigned to this Society as noted below:

11896 4469 BC0001

The purpose of the Business Number is to enable both business and the public sector to streamline operations and realize efficiencies. Please use this number if you decide to open additional accounts with the Canada Revenue Agency or WorkSafeBC to ensure all new accounts use the same Business Number. For assistance or additional information, go to <http://www.bcregistryservices.gov.bc.ca/bcreg/corppg/companies/cobn.page>, or contact BC Registry Services/the OneStop Business Registry at 1-877-822-6727 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday through Friday, excluding Statutory holidays.

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Canadian registered charities — detail page

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HOWE SOUND WOMEN'S CENTRE SOCIETY

Business/Registration number:

118964469RR0001

Charity status:

Registered

Effective date of status:

1982-05-01

Sanction:

n/a

Language of correspondence:

English

Designation description:

Charitable organization

Charity type:

Welfare

Category:

Welfare organizations - not elsewhere classified

Address:

PO BOX 2052

City:

SQUAMISH

Province, territory, outside of Canada:

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Country:

CA

Postal code/Zip code:

V8B0B4

Charity Email address:

ED@HSWC.CA

Charity website address:

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Registered charity information return:

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HSWC operates on the traditional, unceded territories of the Skwxwú7mesh, Lilwat7úl, and Lower St'at'imx Nations. As an organization we respect the history of this land and its Nations, working towards true reconciliation and inclusivity in our shared communities.

OUR MISSION

The Howe Sound Women's Centre Society promotes women's equality and the empowerment of women and their children. We work from a feminist* perspective. By responding to and working for change, we honour the diversity of women's lives and meet the evolving needs of women and children throughout the sea to sky corridor.

*Women and men who believe in women's rights and equality throughout society.

OUR VISION

We envision a day when all women and their children are valued and lead healthy lives - supported, connected to the community, and violence free.

CONTACT US

24 HOUR CRISIS LINE:
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CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Squamish, Whistler, Pemberton

Helping families in the
Sea to Sky Corridor since 1981



Program for Children and Youth
Experiencing Violence
Prevention, Education, Advocacy,
Counselling and Empowerment



the Women's Centre
Howe Sound Women's Centre Society

...the power is within you!



The counselling program works to prevent the inter-generational cycle of violence so children and youth can grow up and build healthy relationships for themselves.

Possible signs of witnessing violence:

Emotional problems such as frequent crying, guilt, anger, anxiety, sadness, confusion, depression, nightmares, fears, and/or phobias.

Behavioural problems such as aggression, withdrawal, poor social skills, adjustment difficulties, poor problem solving skills, and/or acting out.

Physical problems such as headaches, eating disorders, bed wetting, stomach aches, vomiting, nausea, and/or nervous tics.

the Women's Centre
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If you are in crisis call: 604-892-5711

Toll free: 1-877-890-5711 (24 hours)

THE GOALS OF THE COUNSELLING PROGRAM ARE:

- To provide a safe environment for children to talk about their feelings and help teach healthy ways to express them.
- To create an opportunity for children to deal with traumatic events in their lives.
- To enhance self-esteem and safety awareness issues.
- To promote effective problem solving and coping skills.
- To help children define and protect their personal boundaries.
- To help children understand that they are not alone and they are not at fault for traumatic events in their lives.
- To help children/youth to recognize their strengths and increase their self-confidence.
- To help children/youth to identify support networks

OTHER CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

GIRLS GROUPS: 8-10 week groups for girls ages 7-12. Groups focus on empowerment, building self-esteem, healthy communications, body image, boundaries and much more.

GIRLS SUMMER CAMPS: 5 day camps for girls ages 8-12, camps focus on self-expression, community, nature, self-care, friendship and more.

YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAM:

Educational presentations in schools that promote awareness and discussions around relationships. Topics include healthy/unhealthy relationships, bullying, violence in relationships, sexual exploitation, safety online, healthy communication, boundaries, where to get help and more.

For more information on the Youth Education Programs and groups and/or camps call 604-892-5478.