



AGENDA

Community Vitality Advisory Committee Meeting

7:00 PM - Tuesday, June 30, 2026
L04 - Lower Town Hall

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The public is welcome to provide comments regarding items on the agenda discussed at this meeting.	
Comments must be concise and limited to a maximum of 3 minutes, exclusive of time required to answer questions from the Committee.	
If you are not able to attend the meeting and wish to provide public comments, please email jdunsmore@highriver.ca by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting and your comments will be read during this section.	
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8. CLOSED MEETING

Meeting will be closed pursuant to Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act*, Sections 19 and 22 of the *Access to Information Act* and Sections 9(1)(b) of the *Access to Information Act Regulation*.

9. NEXT MEETING

9.1. **Aug 25?**

10. ADJOURNMENT



MINUTES

Community Vitality Advisory Committee Meeting

7:00 PM - Tuesday, April 28, 2026

L04 - Lower Town Hall

PRESENT: Member Angie Brown, Member Ruthanne Koyama, Member Derek Zimmer, Chair Mathieu Lemay, and Member Taylor Cameron

EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: Jocelyn Dunsmore (Community Development Liaison Officer)

MEDIA: There were 0 members of the media in attendance.

PUBLIC: There were 2 members of the public at large in attendance.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Vice Chairperson Brown at 7:04pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adopted with no changes.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Adopted with no changes.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 The Mothers' Connection Project Building Respect & Resilience - \$7700

Resolution #1-2026

Moved by Mathieu Lemay

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eny the "The Mothers' Connection Project Building Respect & Resilience"
application due to a lack of plan for sustainability of the program.

Carried

6. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Reviewed

7. BUSINESS

Brief discussion of 2 potential upcoming applications including High River Skate Park Bash and SMARTstart business mentorship program.

8. CLOSED MEETING

9. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting May 26th is applications are received.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Chair

Vice-Chair

Community Vitality Advisory Committee
April 28, 2026

Jocelyn Dunsmore

From: Town of High River <communications@highriver.ca>
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2026 12:37 PM
To: Jocelyn Dunsmore
Subject: Lisa Szabon-Smith, has submitted a CVAC | Community Vitality Fund Application

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] WARNING: This e-mail originated outside of the Town of High River. Do not click on any links or attachments unless you recognize the sender.

A resident has submitted a CVAC | Community Vitality Fund Application. Here are the details:

Applicant Full Name:

First Name: Lisa

Last Name: Szabon-Smith

Applicant Phone Number:

403-652-3336

Applicant Email Address:

info@hrchamber.ca

Project / Initiative Title:

High River B2B Mentorship Program

Group Name:

High River Chamber of Commerce and Community Partners

Contact information for key Project Leader(s) or Elected Executive(s)

Lisa Szabon-Smith, 403-652-3336, info@hrchamber.ca

Tricia Bliss, +1 403-652-6147, triciabliss17@gmail.com

James Young, (250) 804-9890, jamesyoung@telus.net

Ardis Agustsdottir, 403-842-0390, ardisa@cfhighwood.net

Website Link:

<https://hrchamber.ca> (no official page developed yet)

Project Mailing Address:

Address 1: PO Box 5244, #112-4 Ave SW

City: High River

State / Province: Alberta

ZIP / Postal Code: T1V 1M4

Amount requested from the CVF?

7,500

Application Date:

2026-06-11

Please provide a detailed description of the project / initiative:

The Business Builders Program (name to be confirmed) is a community-driven business mentorship initiative designed to strengthen High River's entrepreneurial ecosystem by addressing two significant challenges facing local business owners: limited access to affordable mentorship and the isolation many entrepreneurs experience while building and operating their businesses.

Small business owners are often expected to navigate complex decisions related to operations, marketing, finance, staffing, growth, and succession with limited support networks. While educational resources exist, many entrepreneurs lack awareness or access to practical, local guidance from experienced business leaders who understand the realities of operating within a rural and small-town economy. This isolation can impact business sustainability, confidence, mental well-being, and long-term success.

The Business Builders Program will create a structured framework that connects entrepreneurs with experienced local business leaders who volunteer their time and expertise. Rather than relying on a traditional one-to-one mentorship model, participants will have access to a "toolbox" of mentors with diverse backgrounds and areas of expertise, allowing support to be tailored to the unique needs and goals of each participant. This approach encourages broader relationship building, exposes entrepreneurs to a wider range of perspectives, and creates stronger connections throughout the local business community. Thus creating a successful mentorship ecosystem.

The initial year of the program will serve as a pilot cohort intentionally designed to prioritize quality, evaluation, and long-term sustainability. The pilot will establish the foundational processes, mentorship framework, participant experience, educational programming, and community partnerships necessary to support future growth. By starting with a manageable cohort size, the Chamber will be able to thoroughly assess outcomes, refine program delivery, and build a scalable model capable of serving a growing number of entrepreneurs in subsequent years.

Participants will engage in a five-and-a-half-month mentorship journey running from January through June. The program will combine one-on-one mentorship opportunities, group mentoring sessions, educational workshops, networking events, peer learning opportunities, and access to free online business education resources. Workshops and learning opportunities will be developed in collaboration with local partners, including Community Futures Highwood, ensuring participants receive practical and relevant business support while avoiding duplication of existing services already available within the region.

Beyond supporting individual business owners, the program aims to create a lasting mentorship infrastructure for the High River business community. The initiative will strengthen relationships between entrepreneurs, established business leaders, professional service providers, community organizations, and economic development partners. These connections help foster collaboration, encourage knowledge sharing, build leadership capacity, and create a more resilient local economy. Mentees will also be asked to become the Mentor as a pay-it-forward model.

The pilot year will focus on establishing a strong network of volunteer mentors, attracting entrepreneur applicants, delivering educational and networking opportunities, and creating a repeatable framework that can be expanded over time. Success will be measured through participant engagement, mentorship relationships formed, workshop attendance, business connections created, participant satisfaction, program completion rates, and evidence of business growth, business launches, and job creation. The Chamber anticipates the program will grow organically as awareness, community support, mentor participation, and demonstrated outcomes increase over future program cycles.

Following each cohort, the Chamber will conduct evaluations, gather participant feedback, assess

community impact, and refine program delivery before launching the next intake. This continuous improvement model will ensure the program remains responsive to community needs while creating a sustainable pathway for growth.

The Business Builders Program aligns directly with the goals of community vitality by strengthening entrepreneurship, supporting local economic development, encouraging community connectedness, improving business resilience, and creating opportunities for leadership development and volunteer engagement. The program prioritizes local partnerships, local venues, local presenters, and local service providers, ensuring project investments remain within the community and contribute directly to High River's economic and social well-being.

Through mentorship, education, and relationship building, the program will help create a stronger, more connected business community that is better equipped to attract investment, support entrepreneurs, create employment opportunities, and contribute to High River's long-term prosperity. As the program matures, it is expected to become a sustainable and recognized pathway for entrepreneurial growth, helping strengthen the local business ecosystem for years to come.

Would you like to present your project to the CVF committee?

Yes

If your initiative is an event, have you filled out a Special Event Permit with the Town of High River?

No

A People First Community:

This program is all about helping build our small business community so that they last beyond the classic 5 year cycle. Resilient small businesses are what strengthen communities. Plus it focuses on connecting two different business demographics into shared spaces building real and valuable connections.

Sustainable economic growth:

This is all about economic growth. Connect new businesses with successful longstanding businesses or retirees to share lessons learned, skills developed and mentor the next generation of entrepreneurs into the future longstanding business list. Plus the mentees will be asked to commit to becoming a champion of the program and a mentor in the future, as a way to pay it forward.

Safety & security:

The program will have Non Disclosure and Privacy Agreements in place that all parties will be required to sign and the High River Chamber will operate as a mediator between parties where/when necessary.

Financial strength:

We project that this will help further build the business community, bolster their bottom line and continue to bring local dollars back to local businesses.

Improve the overall quality of life for citizens:

A strong and growing business community will increase the quality of life for citizens through the various offshoots such as community sponsorship, event creation, diverse services being brought to town and more. A strong business community attracts more to the town.

Increase the beauty, safety, and/or integrity of the community:

When a community can showcase a strong business sector the entire community benefits by naturally

drawing in new businesses, residents and beyond. Corporate responsibility begins to take hold and pride in the community flourishes.

Raise the level of community pride:

Yes.

Showcase High River as a vital community to visit, live, and invest In:

Yes.

Stimulate communication and interaction between neighbours, citizens, and local government:

This is a hybrid mentorship program that will naturally create connections no one can plan for. By connecting citizens to each other we are strengthening many aspects of the community, some with no tangible ROI, others with clear benefits such as referrals, expression of interest in the next cohort, and lasting connections.

How will you promote the project/event so people have the opportunity to participate or attend?

Marketing will consist of traditional print, digital media and radio if the funds are available. As well as cross promotion in a variety of chamber events that are already planned for the fall of 2026, prior to kick off in January 2027. The Chamber will also strengthen the delivery of this message with as many direct face-to-face calls on individual businesses as we can muster. Boots on the ground.

Please indicate any organizations you have partnered with for the project:

Community Futures Highwood, and we endeavour to build more collaborations as this project expands.

Is it a one time or ongoing project or event?

Ongoing Project / Event

How many people do you expect to attend or participate in the project/initiative?

Over the first one to three years we expect a minimum size of 3 mentees and potentially 10 mentors with room to grow. In respect to total impact, this number would not be quantifiable because mentorship becomes a natural pattern once the positive benefits are experienced.

How will you track the success of the project/event?

We will engage in timely feedback processes with our cohorts and track the lifespan of the businesses over time. As well as collect feedback of experience pre, during and post each cohort.

What will happen if you do not receive funds from the Community Vitality Fund?

We have intention to build community sponsorship opportunities with large community stakeholders such as the banks, larger corporations, etc and will build a seed fund as well as a continuation fund to ensure the program can continue. Additionally, our mentees will be charged a minimum application fee (yet to be determined) to ensure their commitment to the program as well as build a fund for the subsequent years of financial commitment to operate.

The only real risk we can project if funds are not received would be a delay in activation.

Has the group received Community Vitality Funds in previous years?

Yes

If Yes, what was the amount funded?

In partnership with Rowan House Society we did receive some funding to assist in the organization and execution of the inaugural Picnic with Purpose event back in 2022. Essentially, we held the funds in trust for Rowan House.

If Yes, have outstanding reports been received by the Town of High River?

yes

Has the group received other funding from the Town of High River?

Yes

If Yes, please specify:

Excluding an annual membership fee to be a member of the High River Chamber, no, we have not received any funding.

Estimated Expense 1 - Details:

Administrative/Project Building - billed out at \$21/hour at 10 (avg 4.25 wks per month) hours per week for 6 months

Estimated Expense 1 - Cost:

5355

Estimated Expense 2 - Details:

Community Futures Workshop Organization cost split (3 workshops in first cohort)

Estimated Expense 2 - Cost:

1800

Estimated Expense 3 - Details:

Event Space Rental (5 events)

Estimated Expense 3 - Cost:

1750

Estimated Expense 4 - Details:

Marketing: Digital (\$150 per month for 3 months)

Estimated Expense 4 - Cost:

450

Estimated Expense 5 - Details:

Print and Radio

Estimated Expense 5 - Cost:

3000

Total Estimated Expenses:

12,355

Estimated Revenue 1 - Title & Details:

Mentee Application Fee @ \$250 x 10 applicants

Estimated Revenue 1 - Amount:

2500

Is estimated revenue source 1 confirmed or requested?

Requested

Volunteer Hours:

\$2500 — 100hrs spread among our subcommittee members and internal staff at low base income average of \$25/hour

Donation of Materials:

\$1000 — Printing supplies

In Kind Goods or Services

\$3000 Graphic Design & \$2500 Intellectual Resources

Applicant Full Name:

First Name: Lisa

Last Name: Szabon-Smith

Authorization for Application

Yes

Application Date:

2026-06-11

Thanks,

Jocelyn Dunsmore

To: THR Communications
Subject: RE: Roger Hamel, has submitted a CVAC | Community Vitality Fund Application

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] WARNING: This e-mail originated outside of the Town of High River. Do not click on any links or attachments unless you recognize the sender.

A resident has submitted a CVAC | Community Vitality Fund Application. Here are the details:

Applicant Full Name:

First Name: Roger
Last Name: Hamel

Applicant Phone Number:
+11403650437

Applicant Email Address:
roger@cdinternational.ca

Project / Initiative Title:
5th annual Brian Chipchase Memorial Car Show

Group Name:
River City Classics and Eamons Garage Historical Society

Contact information for key Project Leader(s) or Elected Executive(s)
Roger Hamel President 403-650-4372

Website Link:
rivercityclassics.ca

Project Mailing Address:
Address 1: P.O. Box 5807
City: High River
State / Province: AB
ZIP / Postal Code: T1V1P3

Amount requested from the CVF?
10,000.00

Application Date:
2026-06-12

Please provide a detailed description of the project / initiative:
We are ever growing and staying close to new technology. We this year are using a pre registration web based program to streamline vehicle entrance. We are also for the first time bringing in a group of

competitors that are going to rebuild engines in front of the crown. All of these endeavors are raising our costs. We also have our Saturday burnout which brings in 300 people from in and around High River.

Would you like to present your project to the CVF committee?

No

If your initiative is an event, have you filled out a Special Event Permit with the Town of High River?

Yes

A People First Community:

We showcase what the town has to offer to a range of people coming from far and wide

Sustainable economic growth:

Our car show is over 25 years old and a huge amount of volunteer hours go into it

Safety & security:

All security is handled by car club members. We dont have the funding to hire outside security or crowd control

Financial strength:

We operate with in our budget with a mandate of no debt.

Improve the overall quality of life for citizens:

This car show has helped put the little town of High River on the map

Raise the level of community pride:

This show has brought great municipal pride to town as we are known as the largest car show in western Canada

Showcase High River as a vital community to visit, live, and invest In:

Probability of numbers dictates the more visitors the more interest.

Stimulate communication and interaction between neighbours, citizens, and local government:

It really is the talk of the town every year

How will you promote the project/event so people have the opportunity to participate or attend?

Website Social Media Poster, word of mouth

Please indicate any organizations you have partnered with for the project:

None

Is it a one time or ongoing project or event?

Ongoing Project / Event

How many people do you expect to attend or participate in the project/initiative?

8000

How will you track the success of the project/event?

Yes

What will happen if you do not receive funds from the Community Vitality Fund?

We will find alternative measure

Has the group received Community Vitality Funds in previous years?

Yes

If Yes, what was the amount funded?

\$6000.00

Has the group received other funding from the Town of High River?

No

Estimated Expense 1 - Details:

Transforming center street to a burnout staging area

Estimated Expense 1 - Cost:

\$5,000.00

Estimated Expense 2 - Details:

Sanitation and port o Potties

Estimated Expense 2 - Cost:

\$3,000.00

Estimated Expense 3 - Details:

Signage

Estimated Expense 3 - Cost:

\$2,500.00

Estimated Expense 4 - Details:

Advertising

Estimated Expense 4 - Cost:

\$5,000.00

Estimated Expense 5 - Details:

Printing, stationary, administrative expenses

Estimated Expense 5 - Cost:

3,000.00

Total Estimated Expenses:

\$18,500.00

Estimated Revenue 1 - Title & Details:

Vehicle Registration

Estimated Revenue 1 - Amount:

\$20,000.00

Is estimated revenue source 1 confirmed or requested?

Requested

Estimated Revenue 2 - Title & Details:

Vendors

Estimated Revenue 2 - Amount:

2,000.00

Is estimated revenue source 2 confirmed or requested?

Confirmed

Total Estimated Revenue:

\$22,000.00

Volunteer Hours:

500

Donation of Materials:

N/A

In Kind Goods or Services

N/A

Applicant Full Name:

First Name: Roger

Last Name: Hamel

Authorization for Application

Yes

Application Date:

2026-06-12

Thanks,

Funding Summary 2026

Applicants / Project	Funding Requested	Funding Awarded
NDC - Indoor Curling Equipment	\$4,300.00	\$4,300.00
High River Stampede Breakfast	\$10,000.00	\$2,500.00
Canadian Grand Masters Fiddle Competition	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
High River Lions Music Festival	\$5,000.00	\$4,500.00
Picnic with Pride	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Unity Film Collective	\$4,600.00	\$0.00
The Mothers Connection Project	\$7,500.00	\$0.00

Funding Not Awarded**

Applicants / Project	Funding Requested
TOTAL	\$48,400.00

		\$28,300.00
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Funding Source	Funds Given	Funds Used
FUNDING IN CVAC RESERVE 2024	\$0.00	\$28,300.00
BUDGET ALLOCATION 2025	\$45,000.00	
	\$45,000.00	\$28,300.00
TOTAL REMAINING 2026		\$16,700.00

** Each project had its own unique reasons for not meeting the funding criteria for the Community Vitality Fund

Jocelyn Dunsmore

From: Town of High River <communications@highriver.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2026 9:57 PM
To: Jocelyn Dunsmore
Subject: Kate Renz, has submitted a CVAC | Community Vitality Fund Application

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A resident has submitted a CVAC | Community Vitality Fund Application. Here are the details:

Applicant Full Name:

First Name: Kate
Last Name: Renz

Applicant Phone Number:
7805049983

Applicant Email Address:
katerenz17@gmail.com

Project / Initiative Title:
The GREAT SCOT

Group Name:
Highwood Curling Club

Contact information for key Project Leader(s) or Elected Executive(s)
Kate Renz 780 504 9983
katerenz17@gmail.com

Website Link:
highwoodcurling.ca

Project Mailing Address:
Address 1: 613 3rd Street SE
City: High River
State / Province: AB
ZIP / Postal Code: T1V 1H3

Amount requested from the CVF?
1000.00

Application Date:
2026-06-10

Please provide a detailed description of the project / initiative:

The GREAT SCOT Tournament is composed of approximately 24 four-person teams. Each team participates and competes for prizes in all three organized activities comprising of Curling, Crib and Golf.

This event is all about building friendships, reconnecting, laughing and making memories. No pressure ~ just great company and a great time. The Great Scot ran for over 20 years prior to a five year halt. Last year, when we brought the Scottish Tradition back into the Highwood Curling Club, the response was wonderful. We look forward to repeating that great time again this year and hopefully bring more people together with the Support of the Community Vitality Fund and our neighboring businesses and sponsors.

This is a summary of our two day weekend event:

~ Saturday is spent at the Highwood Curling Club. Teams are scheduled for an on the ice Curling Tournament and off the ice Cribbage Tournament. Everyone is involved. The evening is taken up with a Pizza dinner from a local restaurant and live music.

~ Sunday, the fun moves over to the Highwood Golf Course with the same teams competing in an 18-hole scramble tournament. The Golf is followed by a banquet in the clubhouse.

Teams will gather points in each discipline, with bonus points given for sportsmanship, creativity, Scottish Dress and in-game challenges. Prizes will be awarded at the banquet.

Our committee is actively seeking prize sponsorships and team registrations from Okotoks, Diamond Valley, Nanton, Claresholm, Vulcan, Calgary and High River. Advertising is ongoing through social media, posters, directly emails, an on radio chat courtesy of Sun Country radio and through word-of-mouth.

Would you like to present your project to the CVF committee?

No

If your initiative is an event, have you filled out a Special Event Permit with the Town of High River?

No

A People First Community:

The Great Scot Tournament is designed around inclusion, participations, and social connections. By combining curling, cribbage, golf, shared meals and live entertainment, the event creates a relaxed and welcoming environment where participants of all ages and skill levels feel comfortable engaging with one another. The focus is on enjoyment and camaraderie rather than competition, reinforcing High River's people-first values.

Sustainable economic growth:

The event supports sustainable economic activity by utilizing local facilities, vendors, and services while attracting participants who contribute to the local economy. By maintaining a strong, well-run event year over year, The Great Scot continues to draw return visitors and participants who support local recreation, hospitality, and community amenities.

Safety & security:

All activities are hosted at established, well-managed facilities with appropriate safety protocols in place. Volunteer organizers work closely with facility operators to ensure safe participation, clear schedules, and responsible event management. The multi-activity structure allows for natural pacing and reduces crowding which enhances overall safety and comfort.

Financial strength:

The Great Scot Tournament is financially well-managed, with a balanced budget that relies on registration fees, fundraising initiatives, sponsorships, and volunteer support. Community Vitality Fund support would be directed toward non-revenue-generating enhancements such as entertainment and promotional items, helping maintain affordability for participants while strengthening the overall event experience.

Improve the overall quality of life for citizens:

By offering a fun, social and community-focused weekend, the event contributes positively to residents' quality of life. Participants benefit from physical activity, social interaction and shared experiences that reduce isolation and strengthen community bonds. The event provides a meaningful opportunity for citizens to connect outside of daily routines.

Increase the beauty, safety, and/or integrity of the community:

While the event does not involve physical infrastructure improvements, it enhances the integrity of the community by reinforcing positive social behaviors, respect for shared spaces, and pride in local facilities. A well-organized and well-attended event contributes to a vibrant community atmosphere.

Raise the level of community pride:

Now in its 24th year, The Great Scot has become a recognized and valued community tradition. Continued success and visibility reinforce pride among participants and volunteers who see the event as something worth sustaining and sharing. Community support through the CVF helps ensure the event continues to reflect High River's welcoming and engaged spirit.

Showcase High River as a vital community to visit, live, and invest in:

The Great Scot highlights High River as a community that values recreation, social connection, and volunteer-driven initiatives. A professionally delivered, fun, and inclusive event sends a strong message that High River is an active and vibrant place to live and visit, supported by engaged citizens and municipal partnerships.

Stimulate communication and interaction between neighbours, citizens, and local government:

The event encourages interaction across multiple groups and backgrounds fostering conversations and connections that extend beyond the weekend itself. The Community Vitality Fund partnership also reinforces collaboration between local organizers and the Town of High River demonstrating how citizen-led initiatives and municipal support work together to strengthen the community.

How will you promote the project/event so people have the opportunity to participate or attend?

Promotion will take place through direct email invitations to past participants, word-of-mouth outreach, social media sharing, posters at local facilities as well as we hope to once again be able to promote The Great Scot on Sun Country Radio here in High River as we did last year.

Please indicate any organizations you have partnered with for the project:

The event is delivered through partnerships with local recreational facilities, volunteer organizers, and community supporters. These partnerships provide venues, operational support, and shared resources essential to the success of the tournament.

Is it a one time or ongoing project or event?

Ongoing Project / Event

How many people do you expect to attend or participate in the project/initiative?

The event is designed for 24 teams of four participants, totaling approximately 96 active participants, in addition to volunteers and support personnel.

How will you track the success of the project/event?

Success will be measured through participant attendance, completion of scheduled activities, informal participant feedback, repeat registrations in future years, and overall financial performance compared to budget. Volunteer feedback will also be used to identify improvement opportunities.

What will happen if you do not receive funds from the Community Vitality Fund?

The event will proceed, however, enhancements such as live entertainment and promotional participant gifts may be scaled back or eliminated. This would reduce the overall experience and limit the ability to build long-term participant excitement and future growth.

Has the group received Community Vitality Funds in previous years?

Yes

If Yes, what was the amount funded?

\$2,000.00

If Yes, have outstanding reports been received by the Town of High River?

Yes, all reporting was completed in a timely fashion.

Has the group received other funding from the Town of High River?

No

Estimated Expense 1 - Details:

Golf & Dinner Banquet
96 @ \$135.00

Estimated Expense 1 - Cost:

12,960.00

Estimated Expense 2 - Details:

Curling Ice & Studio B \$625.00
Printed Material \$200.00

Estimated Expense 2 - Cost:

\$825.00

Estimated Expense 3 - Details:

Promotional Gifts 96 @ \$15.00
Prizes: Winners & Runner Up
4@ \$100 & 8 @ \$50.00

Estimated Expense 3 - Cost:

\$2,240.00

Estimated Expense 4 - Details:

Saturday Food 96 @ \$16.00

Estimated Expense 4 - Cost:

\$1,536.00

Estimated Expense 5 - Details:

Entertainment

Estimated Expense 5 - Cost:

\$500.00

Total Estimated Expenses:

\$18,061.00

Estimated Revenue 1 - Title & Details:

Registration fees 96@ \$175.00

Estimated Revenue 1 - Amount:

\$16,800.00

Is estimated revenue source 1 confirmed or requested?

Requested

Estimated Revenue 2 - Title & Details:

Town of High River CVF

Estimated Revenue 2 - Amount:

\$1,000.00

Is estimated revenue source 2 confirmed or requested?

Requested

Estimated Revenue 3 - Title & Details:

Cash Sponsors

Is estimated revenue source 3 confirmed or requested?

Requested

Estimated Revenue 4 - Title & Details:

Event Fund Raisers 50/50 =\$500.

Mulligans 96 @ \$10.00 = \$960.

Highland Huck 18 @ \$20.00=\$360.

Lucky Ball 18 @ \$20.00 = \$360.

Estimated Revenue 4 - Amount:

\$2,180.00

Estimated Revenue 5 - Title & Details:

The above noted 'Revenue' areas are expressed as "Hopeful" Revenue with the exception of the Town of High River CVF which are being Requested.

Total Estimated Revenue:

\$19,980.00

Volunteer Hours:

300 hours estimated

In Kind Goods or Services

Possible Radio advertising / Possible Bench Back advertising

Applicant Full Name:

First Name: Kate

Last Name: Renz

Authorization for Application

Yes

Application Date:

2026-06-10

Thanks,



**TOWN OF HIGH RIVER
APPENDIX B
FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT for THE COMMUNITY VITALITY FUND**

Each of the defined groups shall be subject to the following conditions relative to their funding request;

- i. An Income & Expense Statement for the Initiative that funds were applied for
- ii. A paragraph explaining how the funds were expended
- iii. The report is due within 60 days of the completion of the initiative
- iv. All conditions must be satisfied before any further applications will be considered
- v. This report must be signed by two executive officers of the group

Project / Initiative Title	Indoor Curling Equipment for Notre Dame Collegiate		
Group Name	Notre Dame Collegiate		
Contact information for key project leader(s) or elected executive if applicable	Name	Phone	Email
	Jodi deKlerk	403 652-2231	jdeklerk@redeemer.ab.ca
Website (if applicable)			
Project Mailing address	1500 High Country Drive High River		
Amount Requested	\$ 4300	Total Grant Received	\$ \$4300

INITIATIVE / PROJECT INFORMATION

How did you advertise the project was Community Vitality Funded?	social media
Date(s) Initiative or Project took place:	received on May 20
What were the Community Vitality Funds used for? (CVAC does not fund wages or donations to other groups)	purchasing indoor curling equipment
Provide an update on the goals and activities of the project. Did you meet the objectives outlined in the application?	yes - students were already using them last week and having a great time.
Was the project / initiative successful?	absolutely and will continue with being successful in the future
If you received partial funding, how did that impact your project/ initiative?	



Please indicate the number of High River citizens you were able to serve with your initiative / project:	This will serve all junior high each year (over 250) and some senior high students for many years to come
Please provide an update on how matching contributions were utilized: (volunteer hours, material donations, etc)	We volunteer throughout the town at various events and the school supplemented some money so we could purchase equipment for students with mobility needs as well

EXPENSES FOR THE INITIATIVE / PROJECT - Please provide copies of receipts

**If you did not spend the full amount, the remaining funds must be returned*

ITEM	ACTUAL
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
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	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$

INCOME FOR THE INITIATIVE / PROJECT

ITEM	ACTUAL
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
TOTAL REVENUE	\$



NARRATIVE

Please provide an anecdotal example of your initiative/ project success and **attach a photo** if available

Students had and will continue to have a fantastic time learning more about a Canadian sport. Phc

a. Submit one original signed copy of this report (via mail or drop off) to:

The Town of High River
 309B Macleod Trail SW
 High River, Alberta
 T1V 1Z5
Attention: Community Vitality Fund

b. Email a signed and scanned pdf copy to: legislativeservices@highriver.ca

DECLARATION:

I declare that all of the information in this report is accurate and complete and that the report is made on behalf of the organization named on page one with its full knowledge and consent.

Report Completed By:	Jodi deKlerk	
Date:	June 1 2026	
Executive Officer Name:		
Date:		
Signature:		
Executive Officer Name:		
Date:		
Signature:		



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Burnaby, BC, Canada
V5A 4W2
(800) 603-5164

**CLICK HERE
TO PAY**

Order Acknowledgement

Order #: SO1025734

Customer#: CHRDS05

Order Date: 05/06/2026

Salesperson: Dallas Young

Ordered by: Jason Reid

PO #: Floor Curl Order #14980

Terms: Net 30

Ship Via: Courier

Bill To: Notre Dame Collegiate 1500 High Country Drive Nw High River AB T1V 1T7 Canada 403-652-2231	Ship To: Notre Dame Collegiate 1500 High Country Drive Nw High River AB T1V 1T7 Canada 403-652-2231
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Ordered Quantity	Estimated Delivery	Item#	Description	Unit Price	Extended Amount
8	05/15/26	CU1022	FloorCurl Target Mats (2 Mats & 1 Carrying Case)	\$100.00	\$800.00
8	05/15/26	CU1025	Curling Replacement Stones (8 Stones & Carrying Case)	\$499.00	\$3,992.00
1	05/15/26	CU1029	Floorcurl Pusher Sticks 2.0	\$80.00	\$80.00

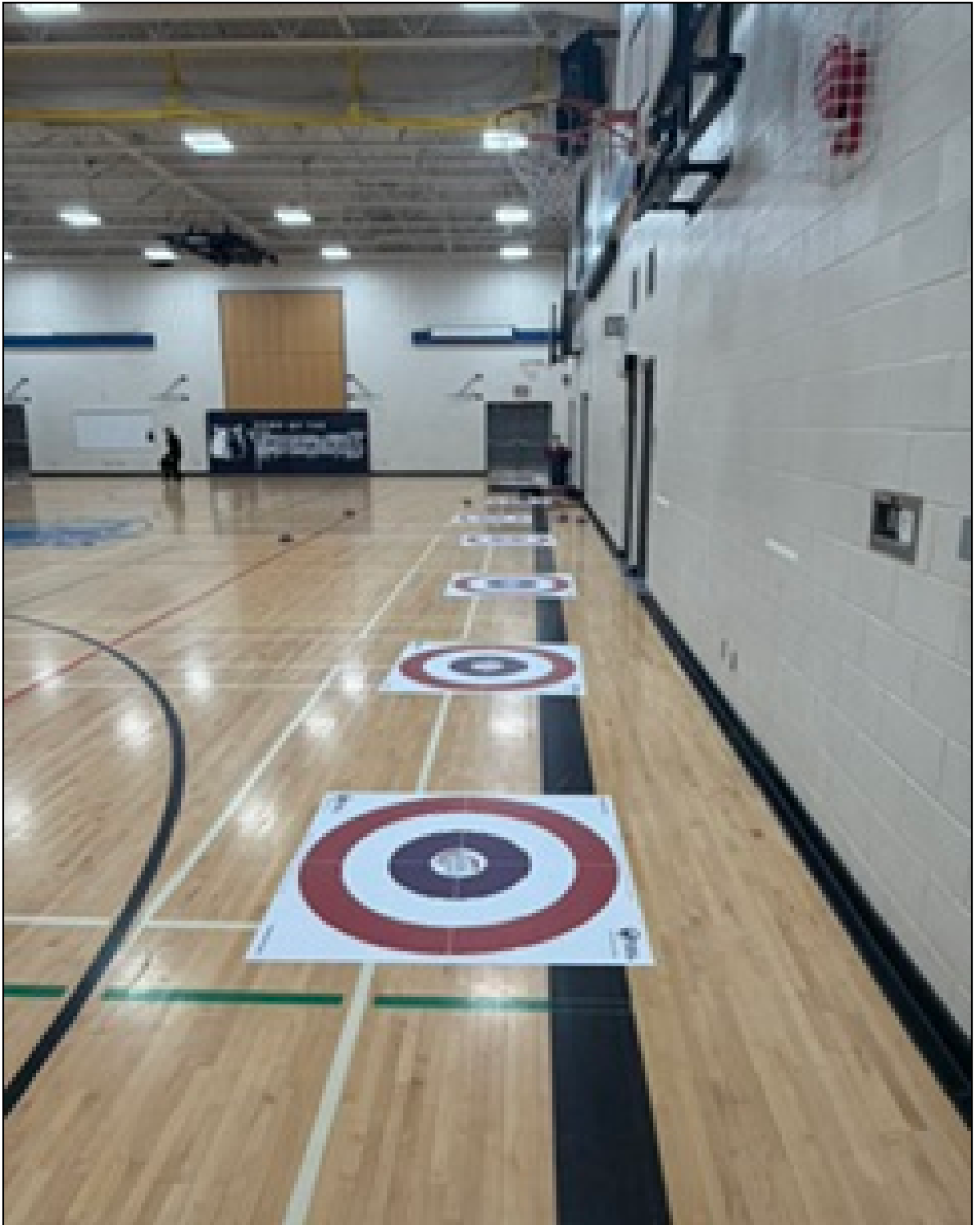
Order Notes: Floor Curl Order #14980

UNAUTHORIZED RETURNS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
CALL (800) 603-5164 FOR RETURN AUTHORIZATION.
SHIPPING DOCUMENT # MUST BE QUOTED.
REPORT ANY DISCREPANCIES WITHIN 10 DAYS OF RECEIPT.

Subtotal: \$4,872.00
Freight: 0.00
GST/HST: 243.60
PST: 0.00
Total: 5,115.60

May 6, 2026, 3:00:00 p.m.

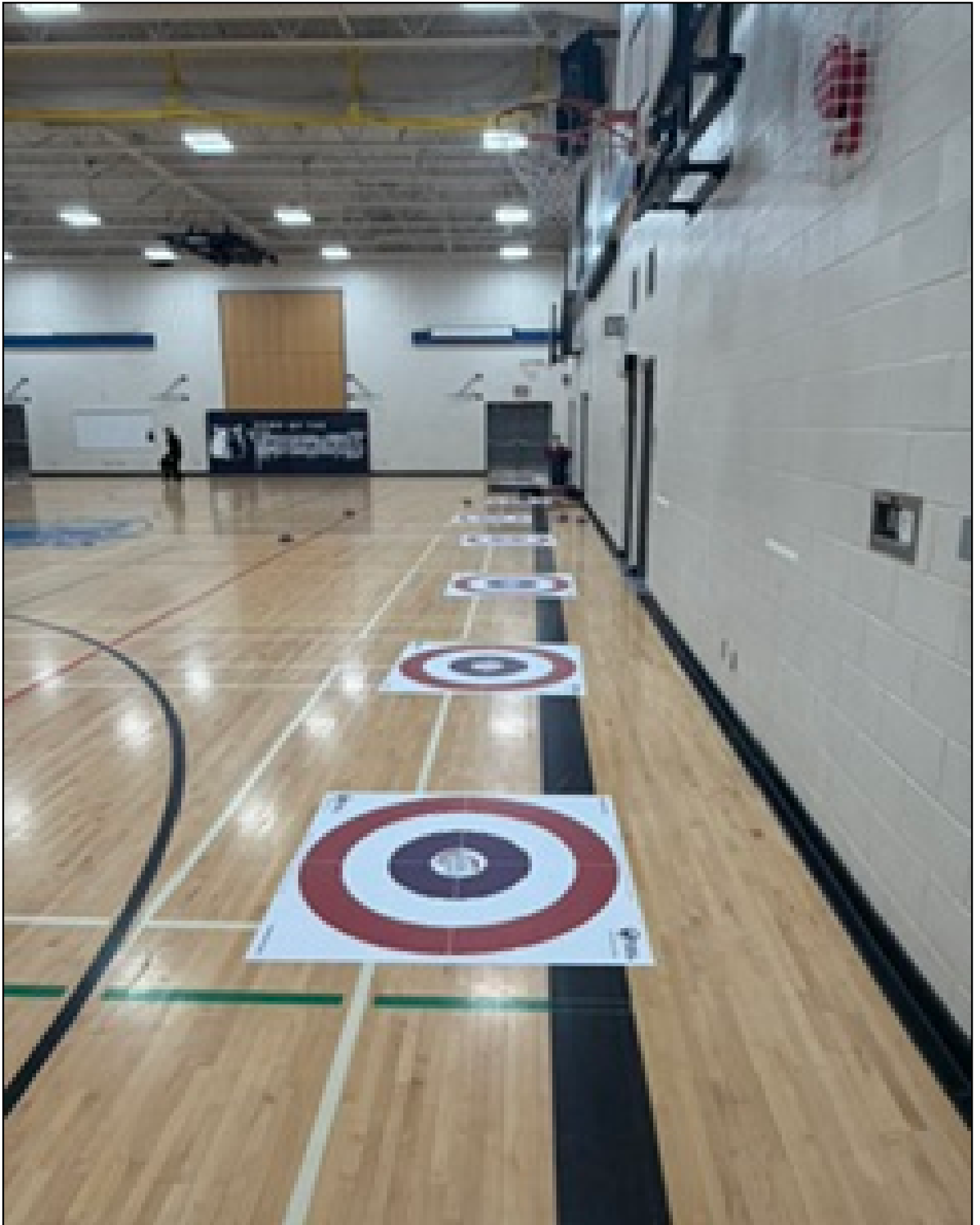
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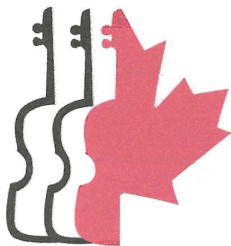












Invitation to the High River Community Vitality Fund to be a Sponsor of the 2026 Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Competition

**Town of High River Community Vitality Fund Sponsor requested
amount \$15,000. (+)**

- Presenting Sponsor of the 2026 Canadian Grand Masters Finals
- Official sponsor of the 2026 Grand Masters Champion 1st place winner:
 - Opportunity to present the award and annual trophy to the 1st place winner on stage
 - Framed photograph or canvas print of the presentation (your choice)
- Verbal praise throughout the 4-day event
- Full screen logo projected on the theatre projection screen as part of the sponsor slides
- High River Community Vitality Fund Name on the 1st prize winners' personal trophy
- Representation on the CGM (Canadian Grand Masters) website and the ABCGMFA (Alberta Canadian Grand Masters Fiddle Association) website which would include:
 - Logo
 - URL link to your website
 - Name and logo listed with the 1st prize award
 - Presenting Sponsor recognition for Finals in the schedule
- Free Display/vendor table on Friday and Saturday
- 10 Free VIP Passes which Include:
 - Front row seat on Friday afternoon for the Youth and Legend Preliminaries
 - Reserved seat at the Friday Evening Community Family Barn Dance
 - Front row seat on Saturday afternoon for the Championship Class Preliminaries
 - Front row seat on Saturday Evening for the Finals
 - Personal invitation to the Saturday night afterparty
- Framed CGM Recognition Certificate
- Full page ad on back cover of program booklet and a half page within the booklet
- Logo displayed on the swag bags presented to contestants, judges and accompanists.
- Community Vitality Fund pop-up banner acknowledging your generous sponsorship displayed at every event location. (Munroe Barn, High River Memorial Centre, Heritage Inn, pancake breakfast and the Bandstand in George Lane Park.)
- Option for you to provide lanyards with your name and logo on the ribbon x100

*We have created this exclusive sponsorship opportunity for your consideration.
Should the full amount of sponsorship not be possible, we would sincerely appreciate any
financial support for our project.*

Jocelyn Dunsmore

From: Randy Jones - Barb Haney <ab.cgmfc.chair@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2026 1:19 PM
To: Jocelyn Dunsmore
Subject: Community Vitality Fund Sponsorship Details - Canadian Grand Masters 2026
Attachments: Community Vitality Fund Sponsorship Details.pdf

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] WARNING: This e-mail originated outside of the Town of High River. Do not click on any links or attachments unless you recognize the sender.

Hi Jocelyn,

Attached is the sheet which outlines the details of the CVF sponsorship for the Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Competition.

As mentioned in an earlier email, we would like to know if someone from the CVF will be in attendance to go onstage and present the trophy, a plaque and a belt buckle to the first place winner on Saturday night. The presentation will hopefully take place between 9:30 and 10:00 on Saturday evening but could possibly be later in the evening.

CVF attendees along with one guest per attendee are also invited to attend the after party at the Heritage Inn which will begin late Saturday night and may go on all night! Jocelyn, you and a guest are also invited to the after party, to thank you for all of your help with the application process. The afterparty is an opportunity for the contestants and other players to jam and socialize, and for the volunteers and sponsors to enjoy an event of fiddle chaos!

We will be providing ten lanyards to you, Jocelyn, to be distributed to your committee and/or chosen guests. The lanyards will be free passess into all of the events on Friday and Saturday. We hope that the lanyards will be shared amongst the community and other interested fiddle fans!

Ten front row seats will be reserved for those wearing the lanyards at the Friday afternoon Junior and Senior Contests, the Saturday afternoon Championship Preliminary Contest and the Saturday evening Finals. If the lanyards aren't going to be used, please let us know as we would like to have the front row of seats at the contest filled. Barb can be reached at 403-861-6933. Please let us know by **Monday, August 24th** if at all possible. Also, front row seats are for guests with free passes. If one person has a lanyard and their guest doesn't, unfortunately we are not able to arrange seats beside each other.

There will be a table designated for the CVF guests with lanyards at the dance on Friday night.

Please let us know if you have any questions and we will try our best to answer them.

Thank you so much for your sponsorship of our event. We appreciate it very much,

Barb Haney and Randy Jones,
Co-chairs of the 2026 Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Competition