



**Grant for Assistance Application – Year Round Intake
For Grants of \$1,000 and Under**

Cariboo Regional District

File No. 1850-01

JAN 28 2019

Referred To DCO

Organization Information Sheet

Name of Organization: Williams Lake Cross Country Ski Club
Mailing Address: PO Box 4026 Williams Lake BC
Telephone (office): 250-392-2468
Purpose of Organization: To provide community wide cross country trails and ski programs to area residents of all ages
What Community does your organization serve? Cariboo Chilcotin
BC Society Registration Number: (if applicable) S28827
Federal Charitable Registration Number: (if applicable)
Chairperson's name: Lisa Young
Telephone: [REDACTED]
Treasurer or Financial Officer's name: Darcy Lazzarin
Telephone: [REDACTED]

Previous Grants from CRD (if applicable, please indicate year grant amount and project):

A grant for \$9,000 was issued to the WLCCSC in November of 2016. The purpose of the grant was to assist the WLCCSC in raising funding for the construction of a modern storage facility for grooming and ski equipment at Bull Mountain. In the aftermath of the 2017 fire season and the subsequent work that was carried out to repair fire damage to the trail system, the application process stumbled in 2018. A grant has since been submitted (Jan. 23, 2019) for the project to the *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Rural and Northern Communities* program. The grant of \$9,000 is a portion of \$85,000 that the WLCCSC has raised as their contribution to the project pending the approval of the above grant. We have been advised that we should not expect to receive word on final approval until late 2019.

Current Grant Requested from CRD \$ 1,000_____



**Grant for Assistance Application – Year Round Intake
For Grants of \$1,000 and Under**

Please answer the following questions, using additional paper if necessary:

1. Brief Description of Proposed Use of Grant Being Applied For:

The WLCCSC raised sufficient cash throughout 2018 to purchase approximately 90 sets of cross country ski equipment as well as funds to train coaches. The WLCCSC is currently offering a new Ski at School Program that began in January and is expect to run from late December until the end of the ski season annually. We currently have close to 400 firm student visits booked for this year. In addition, the club has over 150 members who use the trails upwards of 10 time per season, 35 Jackrabbits and parents who attend 1-3 times weekly and approximately another 500 day user visits per season. Special events will attract between 200-300 additional people.

The Williams lake Cross Country ski facility does not receive cell service at the club house and has no reliable communication system at the site. The Club wishes to rectify this situation for obvious safety and security reasons. This has become more urgent as trail usage and program offerings have expanded significantly this year.

In communication with CP Electronics the WLCCSC has been informed that cellular service and wifi connectivity could be installed using a modern Cell Booster. The estimate of installation and equipment costs is slightly over \$1000.

The Williams Lake Cross Country Ski Club looks forward to embracing this new technology which will greatly increase the safety of volunteers, members and youth who are active on the trails system both day and night throughout the winter months. The ability to communicate confidently from the facility and to report on their well-being at Bull Mountain, would also attract users who have become accustom to expecting this type of connectivity.

The Club would like to proceed with the project as soon as possible.

Any additional costs beyond the \$1,000 would be absorbed by the WLCCSC.

We appreciate your consideration in assisting us to address this issue.

Start Date for the project: Feb. 20

End date for the project: Approximately March 30

-
2. How will you indicate that the CRD is contributing to your organization?:

We will acknowledge the CRD on our Website, with signage in our warming hut, through facebook and at special events throughout the year.

THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Lisa Young

President/Chairperson