



**VILLAGE OF BELCARRA**  
**CORPORATE POLICY NO. 222**



**Title: Grants-in-Aid Program**

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## 1. PURPOSE

Council recognizes the value that various non-profit organizations and groups bring to the Village of Belcarra (Village) and its residents, by enhancing the quality of life for everyone within the Village. This Policy outlines the Village's process for supporting these important organizations or groups.

## 2. SCOPE

Subsection 263(1)(c) of the Local Government Act allows local governments to provide assistance for the purpose of benefiting the community. This Policy addresses the Village of Belcarra's Grants-in-Aid Program for providing such grant assistance.

## 3. DEFINITIONS

**"In-Kind Assistance"** means the provision of municipal property/facilities, material or resources to groups or organizations. It is recognized that In-Kind Assistance involves either an expense or foregone revenue for the Village of Belcarra.

**"Non-Profit or Not-for-Profit Organizations or Groups"** means associations, clubs, societies and/or charities that are organized and operated exclusively for social welfare, civic improvement, pleasure, recreation, or any other purpose except profit. This includes voluntary groups, neighbourhood associations and service clubs.

## 4. GRANTS-IN-AID PROGRAM

Non-profit groups or organizations can apply for grant assistance under the Village of Belcarra's Grants-in-Aid Program (Program). Under this Program Council will:

1. Allocate an annual budget amount for Grants-in-Aid through the annual financial planning process;
2. Review and consider grant applications under its Grants-in Aid Program each calendar or budget year;
3. Determine the individual merits of each grant application on the basis of the benefits that any funding assistance would provide to the Village of Belcarra and/or its residents;
4. Make a final decision on all grants while taking into account the Village of Belcarra's available budgeted grant funds for the year; and
5. Provide letters of support to Non-Profit or Not-for-Profit Organizations or Groups to aid in external grant or sponsorship applications.

## **5. IN-KIND ASSISTANCE**

It is recognized that the Village of Belcarra provides various forms of In-Kind Assistance to various groups or organizations throughout the year. The Village's Chief Administrative Officer shall determine when such assistance is of a nature and/or magnitude that warrants a grant application for Council's consideration. In-Kind Assistance that is requested as part of a cash grant application should be identified on the Village's grant application.