

City of Merritt
Grant in Aid Comparison
Updated: October 10, 2019

Municipality	Population	Total GIA	Grant Year	GIA per Resident	Application Deadline	Approval	Notes
District of Highlands	2,451	\$ 13,800	2019	\$ 5.63	31-Jan	28-Feb	
City of Duncan	5,241	\$ 18,488	2019	\$ 3.53	15-Sep		
City of Merritt	7,593	\$ 87,215	2019	\$ 11.49	15-Dec		Includes in-kind Grant in Aid (i.e. facility rentals) but does not include budgeted annual funding for service agreements related to the Museum, Baillie House and Victims Services (2019 - \$136,111)
City of Revelstoke	8,129	\$ 25,000	2019	\$ 3.08	31-Oct		Budget is \$25,000. Demand is usually around the budget amount and hasn't changed in last 10 years.
Town of Ladysmith	9,417	\$ 58,750	2018	\$ 6.24	31-Dec		
Town of View Royal	11,318	\$ 95,525	2018	\$ 8.44	01-Mar		Available funding is equals to 5% of the Town's share of the prior year's funding received from the View Royal Casino.
City of Williams Lake	11,359	\$ 35,000	2019	\$ 3.08	30-Sep		
District of North Saanich	12,110	\$ 44,000	2019	\$ 3.63	31-Dec		
District of Summerland	12,213	\$ 45,000	2019	\$ 3.68	31-Oct		Budget is \$45k. Was \$35k prior to 2017.
Town of Sidney	12,491	\$ 17,000	2019	\$ 1.36	31-Jan	28-Feb	
City of Parksville	13,323	\$ 31,300	2018	\$ 2.35			\$26,300 of the \$31k is allocated to specific organizations. \$5k is split into Spring and Fall intakes (\$2,500/each). Does not include other budget line item grants of over \$250k to community groups .
District of Lake Country	14,027	\$ 22,000	2019	\$ 1.57	31-Oct		Budget is \$139k. \$117,366 for specific contracts/grants (i.e. Museum, Art Gallery, Public Arts Commission). \$15k for Community Halls and \$7k for everyone else.
City of Cranbrook	21,308	\$ 273,000	2020	\$ 12.81			Cap for Grants in Aid is 1% of prior year property tax. So for 2020 the GIA is capped at \$273,000, which is only for the grant applications. Cranbrook provides other grants to organizations, which are classified as service agreements (i.e. Cranbrook History Centre, Library, Chamber).
City of White Rock	21,370	\$ 39,550	2019	\$ 1.85	01-Feb	30-Apr	\$25,550 Grant in Aid and \$14,000 GIA - Arts and Culture events
District of North Cowichan	31,920	\$ 62,800	2019	\$ 1.97	15-Oct	15-May	\$62,800 split between 6 grant classifications. Not including \$144,800 in Regular Annual grant funding (i.e. BC Forest Museum, Chamber of Commerce, Theatre Festival Society, etc.).
City of West Kelowna	34,883	\$ 432,464	2019	\$ 12.40	31-Oct		Includes \$310,314 in-kind (reduced facility rentals) and \$122,150 cash
City of Vernon	42,574	\$ 50,000	2018	\$ 1.17			Two intake periods due April 30 and October 31

\$ 4.96 Average
\$ 37,643 Merritt population times average

Excluded from Analysis. Grant in Aid applications include organizations that receive regular annual funding (not guaranteed).

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City of Campbell River	35,141	\$ 716,000	2020	\$ 20.38			All Grant in Aid applications are reviewed by a committee of community members (appointed by Council). The committee makes recommendations to Council on who should receive funding from that amount set aside. The lion's share of the funding goes to societies that operate out of City owned facilities (i.e. the local performing arts theatre, the museum, the art gallery). Nonetheless, those amounts aren't necessarily 'guaranteed' under line item funding; they rely on the annual GIA application and review process.

Only includes those grant in aids submitted during the grant in aid process, in all municipalities there may have been other grant in aids that were considered and or approved by Council after the main intake(s).