

# Request for Funding: Non-profit Registered Society in British Columbia



## **WILD ABOUT Outdoor Learning Society**

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### **WILD ABOUT OUTDOOR LEARNING SOCIETY GOALS:**



- To promote **outdoor, experiential** learning opportunities to the people of British Columbia to improve health, wellness, creativity, and the awe-inspiring experience of nature; to catalyze community-based investment in nature, ecological restoration & conservation efforts.
- To promote reconciliation, justice, equity & inclusion by providing opportunities for collaborative action & planning with community groups & individuals, including local indigenous groups, BIPOC, LGBTQ+ and new immigrants.
- To create annual, sustainable outdoor events for all ages in many B.C. communities by highlighting opportunities & providing training, mentoring, networking and advertising.

### **FUNDING REQUESTS:**

1. To host the annual Wild About Outdoor Learning Festival in Vancouver, B.C., Tidal WAV
  - a. Honoraria for Indigenous welcome / closing, dance workshop, Squamish facilitated nature and history walks in Stanley Park, and author reading; representation from other BIPOC and new immigrants in physical, ecology, and mindfulness activities.
  - b. Website updates, rental of sound equipment, tables, chairs, and covered staging, insurance, advertising, coordination costs, office supplies and meeting costs.
2. To develop training modules & resources so Wild About Outdoor Learning Festivals can be hosted in additional B.C. communities and work for reconciliation, equity, inclusion, & to develop a collaborative, democratic & responsive model of leadership through local partnerships with groups with similar goals & include BIPOC & marginalized groups.
3. To develop a communication plan, facilitate mentoring/ networking, and leadership training for hosts to promote participation in Wild About Outdoor Festivals throughout B.C. (ie. Staff, travel, website, social media promo advertising).