



## **PAST RECIPIENTS OF THE KINDNESS METER FUNDS**

*"The Kiwanis Performing Arts Centre and the Kiwanis Child Care Centre, which comprise the Kiwanis Arts Centre Society, are very thankful to be apart of the Kindness Meter program. The Kiwanis Arts Centre Society is a registered charity dedicated to serving the artistic and cultural needs of children and their families living in the South Peace Region of British Columbia. The Society operates a performing arts centre in Dawson Creek and oversees the centre's programs and services. The Society also operates the only year-round group daycare centre in Dawson Creek, the Kiwanis Child Care Centre."*

**~Kiwanis Child Care Centre 2021**

*"The South Peace Hospice Palliative Care Society is very thankful for the Kindness Meter Initiative. We are a community based, non-profit society dedicated to providing comfort, support services and resources to clients, families and friends dealing with end of life, experiencing loss or bereavement. We offer access to hospital beds with our Bed Program. Referral's may be made by patients, families, friends, physicians, social workers, or home nurses. We provide educational workshops, community awareness of issues about end-of-life care, self-care, and palliative care. We support the School District #59 Grief and Loss Resource library. Our volunteers are compassionate men and women from our community with the desire to help others, are good listeners, comfortable with silence, empathetic, and non-judgmental. We believe every person has the right to be informed and to participate in decisions affecting their care. Our society is very grateful for the generosity of all the people in our community!"*

**~South Peace Hospice Palliative Care Society 2021**

*"The Dawson Creek Society for Community Living just celebrated its 61st year of operation; supporting adults with Developmental Disabilities to live independent and dignified lives in Dawson Creek and surrounding areas. In addition to a one-of-a-kind home for aging adults with developmental disabilities, various residences, and Self Help Skills and Home Support Programs, DCSCCL also offers the Opportunity Centre; a place where peers can meet up, learn new skills and make new friends! DCSCCL has a large and expanding Employment Program including Confidential Shredding, and is proud to help individuals gain valuable skills and meaningful employment. DCSCCL also provides numerous units of subsidized housing in Dawson Creek, and runs the senior's complexes, Rotary Village and Southview, as well as Northview, a Seniors Assisted Living Facility. The funds received from the Kindness Meter will be used to create new and exciting opportunities, both skill-based and social-based, aimed at enhancing the lives of the individuals supported. Thank you from everyone at DCSCCL for this kind gesture."*

**~Dawson Creek Society for Community Living 2020**

*“Literacy is the ability to identify, understand, interpret, create, communicate, compute and use printed and written materials associated with varying contexts. Literacy involves a continuum of learning to enable an individual to achieve his or her goals, to develop his or her knowledge and potential, and to participate fully in the wider society.” (UNESCO) Literacy is embedded in our everyday lives, so Dawson Creek Literacy Now aims to provide and support a wide range of community literacy programs. We also partner with service providers to enhance literacy programs and events, and promote community engagement and lifelong learning. These funds will help to further support literacy in our community by providing opportunities, resources, and materials to people of all ages and abilities through our workshops, programs and events. Thank you to the City of Dawson Creek for selecting Dawson Creek Literacy Now as a recipient of The Kindness Meters, and thank you to the generosity of the individual donors and TransCanada.”*

**~Literacy Now 2020**

*The Visually Impaired Support Group is a group in its 18th year of operation, which meets the first Tuesday of each month for support, socializing, education and lunch (by donation). Anyone with vision difficulties and their friend, family member or support worker is welcome too. For more information please phone (250)-782-3221 or (250)-782-7208 for more information.*

**~Visually Impaired Group of Dawson Creek 2019**

*“We are so grateful to the City of Dawson Creek for choosing the Dawson Creek Arts and Wellness Society to receive funds from the Kindness Meter project. These funds will be used to support children and youth in our community who can’t access arts and wellness programming due to financial barriers. Arts programming is known to increase a child’s sense of wellbeing and promote good mental health. We know that the residents of Dawson Creek are generous people, and we can’t wait to share that generosity with our local youth. Thank you to those who donate, and to TransCanada for matching those funds!”*

**~Dawson Creek Arts & Wellness Fund 2019**

*"Words alone cannot express the sincere appreciation the South Peace Building Learning Together (BLT) Society feels at being chosen to receive funds from the Kindness Meters Initiative. These funds will assist in offering free parenting classes to families in Dawson Creek. Parenting is one of the most challenging jobs on the planet and is often attempted with the least resources. The BLT is so grateful to the Dawson Creek Mayor and Council, and TransCanada for partnering to assist non-profit agencies in building capacity within our community. Thank you, thank you, thank you!"*

**~South Peace Building Learning Together (BLT) Society 2018**

*"We love the everything about the "kindness meter" idea! It's a creative way to help organizations like Networks to help improve the lives of our community members. Thank you city of Dawson Creek and Trans Canada for this initiative. Every dollar Networks receives is measured as a can of soup that we can give out. This is a great visual to see the impact of programs like this."*

**~Networks Ministries 2018**

*"The Step Up N Ride Society is very excited to be chosen as the next recipient of the Kindness Meter initiative. The donation will assist individuals including Seniors, Veterans, Children and Adults with disabilities as well as preschool and school aged children unable to access public transit. Our Society is forever grateful to the generosity of the people in our Community."*

**~Step Up N Ride 2017**

*"Special Olympics BC – Dawson Creek is incredibly thankful to be chosen for the Kindness Meters Initiative. We are an organization that is driven to provide positive sport experiences for individuals with intellectual disabilities. The donations received will go towards increasing the opportunities for competition for your community athletes in our sport programs including speed skating, curling, and 5-pin bowling. We are also offering Club Fit this year in an effort to increase the fitness level and health of our competitive athletes! Thank you so much for this opportunity!"*

**~Special Olympics BC – Dawson Creek 2017**

*"Thank you so much for choosing KidSport Dawson Creek for the Kindness Meters Initiative. We believe every child deserves to experience the positive benefits of organized sport. With the growing volume of applications, having these donations will contribute to making a difference in a child's life. All proceeds go directly to funding children in our Community to play a variety of sports. Since 2010 we have sponsored 80 children into the sport of their choice. Again thank you for letting us be a part of this initiative."*

**~Dawson Creek KidSport 2017**

*"Young Life Dawson Creek, is very thankful and appreciative for the Kindness Meters Initiative. All donations received will go directly into our budget to continue our work with Youth in Dawson Creek. Our leaders volunteer in public schools providing support for teachers, counsellors and administration staff. Coming along side teens being an example and giving them support in their lives."*

**~Young Life Dawson Creek 2017**

*"We are grateful to be selected for the Kindness Meters Initiative. The donations will help us continue raising funds for crucial healthcare equipment and services, which enables the Dawson Creek and District Hospital to offer the finest care possible for patients and their families."*

**~Dawson Creek and District Hospital Foundation 2016**

*"The South Peace Community Resources Society values the innovative idea of kindness meters that the Mayor and City has come up with. We appreciate that the Mayor and City are finding ways to give back to the non-profits in Dawson Creek and it's great we have a chance to be the first organization to receive kindness meter donations. We plan on using the donations in our youth and family programs."*

**~South Peace Community Resources Society 2016**