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Communities continue to benefit from the Community Development Fund

WHITEHORSE—The Yukon government's Community Development Fund has awarded \$104,421 in Tier I funding towards eight projects that promote social, cultural and economic benefits to Yukoners.

"With support from the Community Development Fund, these deserving organizations are working to improve the quality of life for Yukoners," Minister of Economic Development Stacey Hassard said. "We're happy to provide support to these projects."

The Yukon Wildlife Preserve Operating Society will receive \$12,000 towards logistics planning for the 2016 Canada's Accredited Zoos and Aquariums annual national conference in Whitehorse this September. The project will create 190 hours of employment for one person.

"We are pleased to receive Community Development Fund funding assistance to help plan this important event," Yukon Wildlife Preserve Operating Society president Alexandra Tait said. "Canada's Accredited Zoos and Aquariums annual conference is an invaluable opportunity for our organization and the community at large to learn from zoo and aquarium professionals from across the country. We are grateful to the Community Development Fund for assisting us in hosting this national event in our home community."

The Yukon River Marathon Paddling Association will receive \$19,870 to translate the Yukon River Marathon Paddling Association website into several key languages. This project will create 160 hours of employment for two people.

"We are thankful for the Community Development Fund, which is helping us translate our website into five other languages," Yukon River Marathon Paddling Association president Harry Kern said. "This upgrade will allow for a broader understanding of the Yukon River Quest and Yukon within the international paddling community, as well as help promote increased world-wide participation and a safer event overall."

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Yukon Council of Archives – \$19,424 – The Community Archivist project will hire a professional archivist to travel to Yukon community archives to assist their staff in identifying priority records for arrangement, description, preservation and access to meet national archival standards. The project will create 450 hours of employment for one person. Contact: Linda Johnson at (867) 668-4205.

Little Salmon/Carmacks First Nation – \$19,975 – To develop the Doòli Dan K'i Northern Tutchone Hudę Hudän K'i (K'ete) Hats'dän (Traditional Code of Ethics and Conduct). The project will create 690 hours of employment for eight people. Contact: Shirley Bellmore at (867) 863-5576.

Yukon Wildlife Preserve Operating Society – \$12,000 – To secure the services of an event planner/company to oversee logistical details in delivering the 2016 Canada's Accredited Zoos and Aquariums national conference held in Whitehorse this September. The project will create 190 hours of employment for one person. Contact: Greg Meredith at (867) 456-7313.

Wilderness Tourism Association Yukon – \$5,343 – To facilitate a one-day strategic planning forum and develop a three-year strategic plan. The project will create 40 hours of employment for one person. Contact: Kelly Fraser at (867) 668-3369.

Sundog Acoustic Music Society – \$1,700 – To record the June 2016 Yukon Acoustic Music Workshop to produce a short, professionally produced promotional video for marketing to future registrants, instructors, corporate sponsors and funders. The project will create 50 hours of employment for one person. Contact: Scott Wilson at (867) 668-4518.

Yukon Historical and Museums Association – \$20,000 – To provide a conference workshop and a study tour and to publish academic papers presented at the 2016 North and World War I International Conference. The project will create 94

hours of employment for one person. Contact: Nancy Oakley (867) 667-4704.

Yukon River Marathon Paddling Association – \$19,870 – To translate the existing Yukon River Marathon Paddling Association website into several key languages. This project will create 160 hours of employment for two people. Contact: Harry Kern at (867) 333-5628.

Dawson City Chamber of Commerce Association – \$6,109 – To rent a large tent for the 30th annual Dawson City International Gold Show. The project will create 125 hours of employment for five people. Contact: Courtney Holmes at (867) 993-5274.

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