

Council Priority Funds – Application

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PRIORITY FUND INFORMATION – Completed by Applicant

Mills Haven Student and School Enhancement Society

Organization Name _____

Address 73 Main Blvd

Street and number _____ Subdivision if rural _____

City or town Sherwood Park Province AB Postal code T8A 0R1Contact person Erika SprakeTelephone 780-289-3208Email address (optional) treasurer.millshaven@gmail.comProject Type ☐ Event ☒ Project ☐ ExpenseAmount Requested \$ 10000

Brief description of request _____

Mills Haven School is scheduled to have a playground replacement in the summer of 2022. Our

volunteer group is currently fundraising in order to enhance the equipment options that will be part

of the new playground. Attached you will see a quote and picture/description of a piece of

equipment the Mobius Climber 7-Panel that we feel would be an excellent addition to our project.

Without your support, we will not be able to include such upgrades to the final design.

Erika Sprake

Print name _____

Signature Erika SprakeDate 23/11/20

Please remember to attach a proposed budget and request letter to this request.

Number of attached pages 2

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MILLS HAVEN SCHOOL AND STUDENT ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

Dear Strathcona County Councilors and Mayor:

We are writing to request your consideration for Council Priority Funds to be allocated towards a new playground scheduled for Mills Haven Elementary School in 2022.

Our volunteer group has been raising funds for enhancement pieces to be added to the final plan. This year fundraising has the added challenge of the pandemic, which has meant that many traditional fundraising activities are not feasible. Coupled with this, we are fundraising when so many families are facing difficult financial choices. To date our group has pursued several fundraising initiatives. We have prioritized partnerships with local businesses including a chocolate fundraiser with local business Jacek Chocolate. Another initiative has been a fundraiser selling cloth face masks online. We are applying for grants available to us, including one through BMO Bank. A GoFundMe page has also been set up and will launch shortly. This will allow the community to donate to our initiative directly. In early 2021 we plan to conduct a raffle fundraiser and an in-school fundraiser such as a spell-a-thon. We will also partner with a Strathcona County business on another fundraiser by March 2021. If we raise sufficient funds, our school will also be eligible for the Community Facility Enhancement Program grant in May 2021.

I have attached a picture and description of the Mobius Climber 7-Panel. It is a unique piece that we feel would add interest and challenge to the design. It is valued at \$23,601. A request for proposal for the playground, in its entirety, will be sent to various companies. Therefore, the actual piece the funds would be used for may ultimately differ from the enclosed. However, the enclosed is representative of the item we would like to incorporate into the playground design as we feel it would add interest and challenge for Mills Haven students and the Mills Haven community.

Our group feels passionately that a playground is an essential part of our childrens' education experience as well as an integral part of the Mills Haven community. The students of Mills Haven school, both present and future will benefit from this project. Daycares, after school care programs and residents of the neighbourhood make use of the playground structure outside of school hours and they will also benefit from an enhanced playground design. Outdoor play structures, such as the one we are proposing, have been an outlet for children during the pandemic who still need the carefree play that every childhood deserves. It is essential to their physical and mental wellbeing. In reviewing past Council Priority Funds allocations, we see that Council has generously supported similar school playground projects. You believe as we do, that school playgrounds are vital to Strathcona County.



MILLS HAVEN SCHOOL AND STUDENT ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

We ask that you kindly consider our project for the Council Priority Funds. Your support will ensure that the playground best serves the students of Mills Haven School and the community that surrounds it for many years to come.

MILLS HAVEN SCHOOL AND STUDENT ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

Per: Erika Sprake
Treasurer

Freestanding Climbers



Mobius Climber 12-Panel *Landscape Structures Inc. Model #150638A*

Available for Direct Bury only - \$44,164



Mobius Climber 7-Panel



Mobius Climber 6-Panel



Mobius Climber 3-Panel

Landscape Structures Inc. Model #150637A / #150636A / #150635A

Available for Direct Bury only - \$23,601 / \$21,138 / \$10,528

***Above pricing is budgetary only** and does not include freight/shipping, installation, remote area fees, site requirements or applicable taxes.