

Council Priority Funds – Application

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PRIORITY FUND INFORMATION – Completed by Applicant

Organization Name OLPH Fundraising Association

Address 273 Fir street
Street and number Subdivision if rural

City or town Sherwood PARK Province AB Postal code T8A 2G7

Contact person Natalie Wallace

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Project Type Event Project Expense

Amount Requested \$ 10,000

Brief description of request

We are requesting funds to support enhancements to our OLPH Playground replacement project. We have included some equipment pricing (estimates) to show examples of what these funds would be put towards. This playground is accessed by the school, community, Robin Hood Association and Strathcona County BGC.

Natalie Wallace
Print name

NWallace
Signature

May 31, 2021
Date

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

Number of attached pages 4

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May 31, 2021

**RE: Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH) Catholic School Playground Replacement Project:
Strathcona County Council Priority Fund**

To whom it may concern:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH) Catholic School, in partnership with Strathcona County, is embarking on the replacement of the playground at our school. Strathcona County is initiating the replacement through a capital infrastructure replacement program, and funds raised by OLPH will provide additional enhancements to the playground. A third party will be engaged to design and construct the playground. Located directly behind the school, the new playground will replace the existing playground that is at the end of its lifecycle. Construction is set to begin in the summer of 2023.

The OLPH Playground Committee is requesting \$10,000 from the Strathcona County Council Priority Fund and has set a total fundraising goal of \$25,000. The OLPH Fundraising Association has already committed \$10,000 to the project through previous fundraising efforts. Additionally, we will be applying for the Government of Alberta's Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) in May 2022 in the hopes that these funds will be matched.

These funds will be put directly towards enhancements to our playground. We have attached some quotes and equipment pieces as examples and estimates of equipment costs. The playground will be used by students at the school and the broader community, including children and families attending the nearby community church, the Robin Hood Association and the BGC of Strathcona County across the street. The BGC has include a letter of support.

As our school community has already contributed \$10,000 and in respect of this challenging year for our families, we would like to focus our fundraising efforts on applying for funds and grants available to us to not compete with the school council's other fundraising efforts next year.

The Playground Committee is considering several promotional and community engagement opportunities to promote the project and the playground including social media, our OLPH School Council newsletter, connecting to the Sherwood Park news to announce the new playground. If you require any additional information about the OLPH Playground Project, please contact us at the email or phone number given below. Thank you for your consideration and support of this project.

Sincerely,

Natalie Wallace, Chair
OLPH School Council, Playground Committee
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Strathcona County

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Sherwood Park, AB, T8A 2B6
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Dear Council Priority Funds Committee,

BGC Strathcona would like to pledge the Our Lady of Perpetual Health Parent Council our support in their application for the Council Priority Funds.

BGC Strathcona serves approximately 750 families in Strathcona County, reaching across age demographics from pre-K nature-based programs to youth supports at our CanTeen Youth Hub. In September, we will have been serving children, youth, and their families for 20 years.

OLPH and BGC Strathcona's Spruce Club have always worked in close partnership to ensure that services to the children and youth of our shared space have been provided affordable and high quality programs. OLPH and BGC have the similar ideologies that sharing their resources will benefit kids and youth in the community of Strathcona County. Our youth lunch programs in the past have had high attendance by OLPH students and staff and has relied on access to the playground to be such a success.

An upgrade or replacement of the OLPH School Playground would not only benefit the students attending the school, but a wide demographic of children that come to BGC's Spruce Club which receives many members from neighbouring schools and communities. Between our Out of School Care and our Summer Camps, hundreds of children will be able to benefit from a playground being so close to our doors.

We are of the firm belief that an expanded playground and courtyard would provide resources for many organizations, but also would allow the many families that reside in this community to utilize this space. A properly laid out park and playground would be an extremely valuable contribution to the community.

We deem the OLPH Playground Project an excellent candidate for this funding. We look forward to hearing about the results of the application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Dalton". The signature is fluid and cursive.

John Dalton
Children's Program Director
BGC Strathcona County



Quote

28-May-21

2025 Oak Street Sherwood Park, Alberta T8A 0W9
 G.S.T. # R122617160

Phone 780-467-2211

	Price	Amount
OLPH School Playground Replacement for 2023		
Demolition and Disposal	\$5,390.00	\$5,390.00
Concrete Retaining Wall	\$600.00	\$600.00
Sand and Landscaping	\$10,635.40	\$10,635.40
Park Furnishing	\$2,600.50	\$2,600.50
Playground Equipment	\$123,374.60	\$123,374.60
Total		\$142,600.50

We thank you for the opportunity to provide this quotation to you. Should you have any questions or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at (780) 400-2053

OLPH Playground Project

Playground equipment quotes

In addition to the budget from Strathcona County, we hope to add some enhancements to our project with the \$25,000 that we raise (and hope to double with the CFEP Grant). The following playground pieces have been identified by our school community in a random sample of students as preferred equipment. We have been provided initial rough estimates from two potential vendors:

Equipment	KidNation	Park & Play Design
Saucer swings (double)	\$17,000	\$5000 per
Monkey Bars	\$4,500	\$2,500
Twirly Slides	\$14,000	\$6,000 (from 8' deck)
Gliders	Not available	\$4,000
Benches	\$1,200	\$1,200
Rock Wall	\$8,400	\$3,500-\$20,000
Teeter Totter	\$1,300	\$2,000

These rough estimates do not include freight or installation.

We will be completing a thorough needs assessment with our students, parents, teachers and community stakeholders to identify our playground wish list more specifically. All the funds raised will go directly to enhance and add equipment to the playground in addition to the allocated budget.