

Hinton Civic Agency Partnership & Funding Program

Mayor and Council, Town of Hinton
2nd floor, 131 Civic Centre Road
Hinton, AB T7V 2E5

October 28, 2024

To Members of the Civic Partnership Program Selection Committee:

Re: Letter of Support for the application for program funding: Northern Rockies Museum of Culture and Heritage

On behalf of the Board of Trustees for Grande Yellowhead Public School Division (GYPSD), please accept this letter of support for the Northern Rockies Museum of Culture and Heritage.

The museum plays an important educational partner role within the Hinton community, supporting historical and cultural links to the Alberta Program of Studies. GYPSD schools in Hinton provide educational programming for approximately 1290 students from kindergarten through to Grade 12 at three schools and the outreach centre. An estimate from January to June 2024 alone showed that at least 450 GYPSD students visited the museum for program enrichment.

Our teachers rely on the museum to bring learning to life – this teacher's comment illustrates the benefits of the museum for the communities students: *"The [museum] is an integral part of programming which we deliver in the schools. Providing a facility that brings to life the history of our area... is amazing. Outstanding staff, creative ideas and approaches. Amazing facility!"*

We hope that you will select the **Northern Rockies Museum of Culture and Heritage** as a successful recipient of the civic partnership grant.

Sincerely,



Dale Karpluk (Oct 30, 2024 22:03 MDT)

Dale Karpluk, Board Chair (Jasper)

Cc: Margaret Schultz, Operations and Programming Manager, Northern Rockies Museum
Mr. Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, Alberta
Board of Trustees for Grande Yellowhead Public School Division
Dr. Parsons, CEO/Superintendent of Schools

