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Grants approved

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Burnaby city council authorized more than \$8,000 in grants on Monday for several worthy causes.

The majority of the money, \$5,000, went to Burnaby Community Connections to help it run the Burnaby Christmas Bureau.

The next largest grant went to the Burnaby Seniors Outreach Services Society, \$2,000 for its peer counselling program.

Coun. Sav Dhaliwal noted that the money is needed because the provincial government cut funding for that program this year.

He said the city is doing the right thing in authorizing the one-time only grant, but he urged the city to write a letter to provincial authorities asking that money be reinstated in future years.

"This is a very worthwhile program that helps a lot of people," said Dhaliwal.

Other grants awarded Monday include: \$750 to Volunteer Burnaby to cover printing costs for its gift-wrap centre at Brentwood Town Centre; \$375 in travel costs for two local lacrosse players and one softball player to attend national tournaments in Ontario; and an in-kind grant to cover the cost of a garbage container and scheduled garbage pickup for the Heights Garden Society in North Burnaby.

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