

Mayor and Council
City of Prince George
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St. Michael and All Angel's Anglican Church
1505 5th Avenue
Prince George, BC
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Dear Mayor and Council,

St. Michael and All Angel's church is requesting a resolution in support of our application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust, for a **"Community Halls and Recreation Facilities" grant.**

Project description:

To help fund the restoration of St. Michael and All Angel's and its King Hall community centre roof, with an energy efficiency upgrade.

St. Michael and All Angel's with its large community hall is located in the heart of Prince George's downtown. It is a heavily utilized community facility. Throughout the year on a daily basis the community hall serves (predominantly off reserve) Indigenous persons with a bag lunch, toiletries toilet utilities and in the winter, warm socks and gloves.

Most Sunday evenings from 6-11 pm, the community hall hosts the Downtown Street church which serves up to 100 predominantly Indigenous off reserve persons. This service includes a hot meal, music and a church service and a time for individuals to congregate and socialize in safety.

The community facilities are used most weeks for the famous Cantata Choir rehearsals and Cantata also used the Church for concerts because of its renowned acoustics. The school district 57 Tapestry choir also practices and gives performances in the church at different times in the year.

The community hall is used regularly for conferences by Indigenous groups of the Lake Babine Nation.

The Adult and Children's Shooting Star Theatre also practices in these community facilities.

In 2019, a new Prince George Centre of Peace and Reconciliation was created and is being housed in the community hall and facilities of St. Michael and All Angel's. Monthly workshops for the Centre are being held there, with some attendees coming from out of town. These events are at times being held in partnership with other groups such as the PG Council of Seniors, Indigenous groups, and the Community from Vancouver. These visitors use local hotels and restaurants.

The steering committees for the Prince George Interfaith Council and the Centre of Peace and Reconciliation hold their monthly meetings in the community facilities.

Every single day except Sunday's many other groups use the community hall and facilities, e.g. three different AA group's, an Al-Anon group, and an Over Eaters Anonymous group.

The Community hall of St. Michael's is also used for the "Good Food Box Distribution" program.

We appreciate consideration of the following resolution which will help restore the roof and en energy efficiency upgrade to our facility:

That the City of Prince George SUPPORT the application of the Parish of St. Michael and All Angel's Anglican Church for a grant in the amount of \$30,000 from the Nothern Development Initiative Trust "Community Hall and Recreation Facilities" Program, from the Prince George Regional Development Fund.

Yours sincerely,

Marie Hay

People's Warden. Parish of St. Michael and All Angel's