PRINCE GEORGE ALANO SOCIETY

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Mayor and Council,

The Prince George Alano Society is applying for a Northern Healthy Communities Fund from Northern Development Initiative Trust. The application introduction is as follows:

The Prince George Alano Society has been in operation since October 31, 1969. It currently operates at 725 Alward Street, Prince George, BC.

The Alano Society provides a safe place for Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous to host daily meetings in support of those individuals with addiction problems in the basement of our building.

We also provide affordable meals on the main floor of the building, to those individuals and Seniors in the Prince George area. We are open to the public from 8:30am to 6:00pm daily, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The Alano Society has been <u>deemed an essential service</u> by the Provincial Government and Northern Health.

To make our building more accessible to handicapped individuals confined to wheelchairs, we need to construct an addition to the existing building with automatic door openers and wheelchair access (ramp) for those individuals.

These installs would create access for wheelchair accessibility to these individuals to attend meetings and a place to come for an affordable meal.

I am requesting that the City Council pass the following resolution:

"That the City of Prince George support the application to the Northern Development Initiatives Trust from the Prince George Alano Society for a grant of up to \$204,000 for the construction of an addition to the building with Wheelchair access, Handicap washroom and automatic door openers from the NDIT Northern Healthy Communities Fund."

Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Al Spencer Alano Society House Manager

