

# Municipality of Anchorage



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*David Bronson, Mayor*

**GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
*Mike Edgington & Briana Sullivan, Co-Chairs*  
*Jennifer Wingard, Amanda Sassi, Guy Wade*

## **October 5, 2022** **GVSA 2023 Non-Profit Recreation Grants Presentation Work Session** ***Minutes Final*** **7:00 p.m. via Microsoft Teams & Girdwood Community Room**

This hybrid meeting is taking place via Microsoft Teams & at the Girdwood Community Room, 250 Egloff Rd:

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The Girdwood Board of Supervisors operates under the Girdwood Public Meetings Standards of Conduct.

Call to Order 7:12 p.m. Mike Edgington, Co-Chair  
Attending are Mike Edgington and Briana Sullivan, Guy Wade joins at 7:20.  
Excused are Amanda Sassi and Jennifer Wingard

Disclosures:  
Mike Edgington: volunteer and participant with FVCS  
Briana Sullivan: volunteer with FVCS, Art Institute  
Guy Wade: spouse works for FVCS

### **Agenda Revisions and Approval**

October 5 2022 GVSA Non-Profit Grant Presentation work session

1. Review of grant process: 6 grantees requesting funding a bit more than is available in the GVSA 2023 Budget. GBOS members are to complete evaluation materials and report back the proposed allocations at the October 2022 Regular GBOS meeting. Amounts then will be averaged and scaled to meet budget. Applications and review materials are in the meeting packet A. Grant presentations will be compiled into meeting packet B. Recording of the meeting is will be available.

2. Presentations by 2023 grant applicants:  
Challenge Alaska: 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary currently being celebrated. Working on turning employees from part time to full time and establishing year-round programming. 2022 Grant assisted 8 local residents in activities at Challenge Alaska and trained 36 local residents in adaptive ski instruction, including 12 junior ski instructors.

Girdwood Art Institute: 36 years in operation, dedicated to making art camp affordable for families to attend. GVSA funding primarily goes toward sibling scholarships and apprentice program.

Girdwood Community Club: GCC is 70 years old, KEUL 88.9 radio is the project supported with this grant, which makes radio available to all within the listening area. The need for communication of this type is unmet elsewhere in the community, and is integral in providing up to date information, alerts and public service.

Glacier Valley Transit: Founded in 2008 and fare-free since 2016. Primarily funded by federal grants, funding also comes through management agreement with Alyeska Resort, sponsorships and grants. GVT provides free transportation throughout Girdwood, GVSA funding supports access to recreational activities for visitors and residents.

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Little Bears Playhouse: Founded in 1983, Little Bears is dedicated to providing affordable quality child care in Girdwood. Currently there are 25 kids per day enrolled and 40 families per year. There has been a waiting list since 2011. Little Bears does not have physical space for more students. Curriculum is getting updated and currently 50% of Little Bears teachers are CDA Certified. Recent ARPA funding of \$1.6M will need to be matched for construction of a modern, safe facility for child care in Girdwood.  
GVSA Grant funding is used to promote off-campus activities, supplies and recreation for the Little Bears kids.

Four Valleys Community School: Recovering from impacts of COVID, most kids programs are at full capacity and adult programs are increasing in enrollment. Maintaining affordability of FVCS programs is an ongoing concern. GVSA funds have been vital in keeping the doors open at FVCS, subsidizing programs using community assets.  
Upcoming events are the Sports Swap and Annual Meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

Adjourn 8:18PM