



Henry S. Varley Fund for Rural Life Grant Recipients, Spring - 2022

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lethbridge and District, \$10,000: Funding will be used to expand the reach of mentoring programs to children and youth in rural communities including, Barons, Barnwell, Carmangay, Iron Springs, Nobleford, and Picture Butte.

Lethbridge Therapeutic Riding Association, \$29,000: Funding will be used for the second phase of the “Horses in the Window” program, which brings horse therapy to facilities across Southern Alberta. The program is aimed at helping the most vulnerable citizens, including seniors and individuals experiencing mental health and addiction struggles.

Palliser Regional School Division, Coalhurst Partnership Association for Literacy, \$11,000: Funding will be used to collaborate with community members, school staff, and high school students to promote and increase literacy by mentoring and encouraging young readers in Coalhurst.

Friends of the Claresholm and District Museum Society, \$7,345 (from a Field of Interest fund): Funding will be used to provide equipment and training to volunteers so that they can scan and digitally store the museum’s historic photograph collection, which will improve public access to the images.

Livingstone Range School Division, Livingstone Ski Academy/Livingstone School, Lundbreck, \$6,000: Funding will be used to provide students with relevant training courses and employable skills that they can use working on a ski hill.

Town of Taber, \$10,000: Funding will be used for the “Taber Talks: A History of Taber and its Citizens” project, which will film interviews with local veterans in the MD of Taber, explore their sacrifices, and preserve them for the community.

Bridges of Hope, EPIC Youth Services, Cardston, \$10,000: Funding will be used to expand the after school and weekend programs for youth in Cardston, Cardston County, and Kainai Nation.

Palliser Regional School Division, Picture Butte High School, \$6,000: Funding will be used to innovate the Farm Education program and create an economical farm-to-table program for students.