

Alberta Elks Foundation Regulations

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THE OBJECTIVES OF THE SOCIETY ARE:

1. To carry out the charitable activities of all the subordinate Lodges of the Elks of Canada in the Alberta Elks Foundation.
2. To hold and administer funds and property for the purposes of advancing education, providing healthy recreation by way of facilities for the public, and funding research which is disseminated to the public at large in accordance with the Income Tax Act.
3. To receive and maintain a fund or funds and to apply all or part of the principal and income there from time to time, to charitable organizations that are also registered charities under the Income Tax Act.
4. To establish and/or maintain community facilities available for the use of the public.

FOUNDATION REGULATIONS

R1 FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

- 1.1 Only executive members of the Foundation including the Chair, Vice-Chair, the Three (3) Directors, and the 1st Vice President of the Alberta Elks Association, shall have voting privileges.
- 1.2 At least one member of the Judiciary Committee is to attend the Foundation Executive meetings as a non-voting member.
- 1.3 At the discretion of the Chair, other members of the Association and guests may be invited to all or part of the Foundation Executive meeting. The invited guests and Committee members appointed by the Foundation shall not have voting privileges.

R2 FOUNDATION REPRESENTATION

All requests for representation on behalf of the Foundation shall first be directed to the Foundation Chair who shall determine attendees to represent the Foundation.

R3 SIGNING AUTHORITY

The Foundation Chair, the Vice-Chair and the Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible for having signing authority for all accounts and investments of the Foundation. The Committee Chairs shall be included for having joint signing authority on project accounts, applications, and reports.

R4 **DEFINITIONS**

The use of the titles of Trustees and Directors is interchangeable when referred to in the Foundation By-laws and Regulations.

R5 **ISTAR (Institute for Stuttering Treatment and Research) Board Representation**

- 5.1 The Foundation shall have one (1) member appointed annually by the members of the Foundation Board, at its first meeting, as representative on the ISTAR Board.
- 5.2 The newly appointed member shall attend ISTAR meetings following the Annual Foundation Conference.

R6 **COMMITTEES**

- 6.1 A person assigned to a committee position may serve in that position for a maximum of five (5) years. The position will be advertised after three (3) years.

6.2 **Casino Committee**

The Committee shall consist of at least one member, who shall be appointed by the Foundation Chair and the Vice-Chair and who shall be the Chair.

The Committee shall:

- 6.2.1. Ensure the applications, related forms and information required by the AGLC and others are properly completed and submitted.
- 6.2.2. Conduct such casinos as approved by the Assembly at the annual or special meetings under the supervision of the Foundation Directors.
- 6.2.3. Ensure strict compliance with all Government or other laws or regulations.
- 6.2.4. Be responsible for ensuring all documents are submitted after the casino to the Secretary/Treasurer for reporting at the annual meeting.

6.3 **Foundation Raffle Committee**

The Chair shall provide an approved current copy of the rules and regulations for the sale of the raffle tickets including a list of prizes and draw dates. The Chair shall be paid an annual honorarium of \$100.00 per month for use of personal facilities to conduct the annual raffle.

The Committee shall:

- 6.3.1. Consist of at least one member, who shall be appointed by the Foundation Trustees and who shall be the Raffle Chair.

- 6.3.2 Give guidance and upon request, make recommendations to the Foundation Chair and the Directors.
- 6.3.3 Ensure the applications, related forms, information, and reports required by AGLC and others are properly completed and submitted. Copies of all documentation will be forwarded to the Foundation Secretary-Treasurer for reporting at the Annual General Meeting.
- 6.3.4 Ensure strict compliance with all Government or other laws and regulations.
- 6.3.5 Arrange for proper storage of the tickets from the completed raffle.

6.4 *Tabs for Tots Committee*

The committee shall consist of a minimum of one member, who shall be appointed by the Foundation Chair and Vice-Chair and who shall be the Chair.

The Committee shall:

- 6.4.1 Be responsible to receive information on the sale of all aluminum tab and recyclable metals from Lodges and members.
- 6.4.2 Provide a report of the collections and sales to the Foundation Annual General Meeting.

6.5 *Float Committee*

6.5.1 The Foundation Secretary-Treasurer shall:

- a) Notify the Lodges of the \$200.00 rental fee for the use of the float and Charlie during the summer months (May - September) and that there is no charge for the use during the winter months (October - April).
- b) Be responsible for the collection of the fee from the Lodges at the time of application for the use of the float, acknowledge receipt of the applications and issue receipts to Lodges applying. Refund fees to Lodges that are not scheduled to use the float.
- c) Prepare a schedule for the use of the float. In most cases, it is a first come, first serve schedule; however, in case of multiple requests for the same date, the Lodge that has used the float most recently is disqualified. Not all requests may be filled if it is physically impossible to move the float in time between locations.
- d) Be responsible for maintaining liability insurance, registration, and communicate with host lodge regarding maintenance and repairs for the float and trailer.
- e) Provide a report of the use, income, and expenses for the activities of the float at the conclusion of the float season to the Foundation Trustees.

6.5.2 The Lodge using the float shall:

- a) Be responsible for the maintenance of the float and trailer
- b) Ensure the only people on the float are properly seated.
- c) Assure that in the interest of safety, candy or any goodies are NOT thrown off the float at any time.
- d) Be responsible for shipping costs of Charlie, should he be requested without the float

6.5.3 Float Fee Refund:

In the event of a parade being cancelled due to weather conditions, the \$200.00 float fee will be refunded on the return of the float.

- a) The \$200.00 float fee is non-refundable if the event is cancelled by the Host Lodge within ten days of the function.
- b) If the float is not delivered as the result of a mechanical failure or travelling incident, then the Host Lodge will receive a \$200.00 refund.

R7 **EXPENSES**

- 7.1 Officers, Directors, and Committees of the Foundation shall have expenses incurred while performing the business of the Foundation reimbursed.
- 7.2 Members of the ISTAR Board representing the Foundation shall have expenses incurred while performing the business of the Foundation on the ISTAR Board reimbursed.
- 7.3 Travel expenses shall be reimbursed at a rate of \$0.47 cents per kilometer and the request for reimbursement shall be completed on the expense form.
- 7.4 All requests for reimbursement for payment of meal expenses (not including alcohol) shall be submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer on the appropriate forms including receipts, within thirty (30) days after the date of the expense.
- 7.5 Incoming Trustees, Committee Chairs and Committee Members shall be entitled to reimbursement of approved expenses for Foundation business beginning seven days following the Annual Conference in the year of their election or appointment to the Foundation.
- 7.6 Expenses of Trustees, Committee Chairs and Committees having completed their term of office shall be entitled to reimbursement for approved expenses up to seven days following the Annual General Meeting.
- 7.8 Conference registration fees will be paid directly by the Foundation.

R8 SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

8.1 Dr. Einer Boberg/ Alberta Elks Foundation Memorial Graduate Award in Stuttering Treatment and Research

8.1.1 Funded by the Alberta Elks Foundation in memory of Dr. Einer Boberg, the co-founder and first director of the Institute for Stuttering Treatment and Research (ISTAR), to reflect his lifelong commitment to the advancement of clinical practice and the importance of its connection to research.

8.1.2 Value: \$1,500 at the Master Level; \$3,000 at the PhD level. The award is non-renewable. Two master's awards or one PhD award will be offered annually.

8.1.3 Eligibility: Awarded annually to a student in the speech-language pathology program at the University of Alberta, who has demonstrated strong clinical skills and a research interest in the area of stuttering. The award is intended to assist a student in the completion of an MSLP project, and MScSLP thesis, a MSc in Rehabilitation Medicine (subject to program approval), or a PhD program in Rehabilitation Science.

Applicants at the master's level should have completed the first year of a master's program in speech-language pathology in the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine at the University of Alberta. Applicants at the PhD level should have been admitted to the Rehabilitation Science program in the faculty. Applicants should have excellent academic standing, be able to present evidence of significant community service, and be planning to specialize in the area of stuttering.

8.1.4 Application: Application for the award should be made by June 1st in the first year of study.

8.1.5 Applicants should prepare:

- A brief curriculum vitae (in which community service can be documented)
- An official graduate transcript
- An essay of no more than 1,000 words describing their interest in the disorder of stuttering and the goal of their studies in this field.

8.1.6 Submit to: Boberg/Elks Graduate Award Committee, ISTAR, 8205 - 114 Street, 3-48 Corbett Hall, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2G4

8.1.7 Notification of the award will be made by the beginning of September.

8.1.8 Administrative responsibility: Executive Director, Institute for Stuttering Treatment and Research (ISTAR)

8.1.9 Source of Funds: Annual donation from the Alberta Elks Foundation

8.1.10 The selection committee consists of the Chair, Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology or designate, the Executive Director of ISTAR or designate (Committee Chair), and the Dean, Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine or designate.

8.2 Deborah Kully/Alberta Elks Foundation Scholarship

- 8.2.1 Funded by the Alberta Elks Foundation in honour of Deborah Kully, a co-founder and long-time Executive Director of the Institute for Stuttering Treatment and Research (ISTAR) and reflects her deep commitment and dedication to the advancement of clinical practice.
- 8.2.2 Value: \$4,000.00. Two awards of \$2,000.00 each will be offered annually.
- 8.2.3 These awards are non-renewable.
- 8.2.4 Eligibility: Awarded annually to a graduate student in speech-language pathology who has committed to completing a practicum at ISTAR; who has demonstrated strong clinical skills with an interest in the area of stuttering treatment. The award is intended to assist the student in the completion of their practicum. Applicants should have excellent academic standing, be able to present evidence of significant community service and be planning on providing service in speech pathology with stuttering treatment as a component to a currently under-serviced community / region.
- 8.2.5 Application: Application for the award should be made by June 1st in the first year of study.
- 8.2.6 Applicants should prepare –
- A brief curriculum vitae (in which community service can be documented)
 - An official graduate transcript
 - An essay of no more than 1,000 words describing their interest in the disorder of stuttering
 - And the goal of their studies in this field.
- 8.2.7 Submit to Kully / Elks Graduate Award Committee, ISTAR, 8205 – 114 Street, 3-48 Corbett Hall, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2G4
- 8.2.8 Notification of the award will be made by October and will be announced publicly.
- 8.2.9 Administrative responsibility: Foundation of the Institute for Stuttering Treatment and Research
- 8.2.10 Source of funds: annual donation from the Alberta Elks Foundation
- 8.2.11 The selection committee consists of the Chair, Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology or designate, the Executive Director of ISTAR or designate (Committee Chair), and the Dean, Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine or designate.

R9 INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Foundation Chair and the Vice-Chair shall appoint a minimum of two members of the Foundation that do not have signing authority as the Audit Committee or alternately the Finance Committee of the Alberta Elks Association to conduct the review. The review shall

be of the financial statements, synoptic journals, bank deposits and statements, issued cheques and receipts, project files and for appropriate signatures. The Committee shall produce an interim statement to be presented to the Trustees by December 31st of each year including their findings and recommendations.

The Committee shall:

- 9.1 Carry out the internal review and provide a written report and recommendations to the Officers and Directors.
- 9.2 Complete a review of the income ledger verifying bank statements, receipts, and deposits.
- 9.3 Verify the expense ledger, cheques issued and receipts for all of the Foundation accounts.
- 9.4 Review and verify all the investment certificates, interest rates and maturity dates.
- 9.5 Verify cheques issued have two signatures by members having signing authority and the members with signing authority have not signed cheques issued in their name.
- 9.6 Review expenses incurred and submitted by the Officers and Directors verifying the appropriate approved forms are used and all other expenses have prior approval of the Chair and Vice-Chair and include receipts and explanation for same including appropriate approved two signatures.
- 9.7 Verify the Foundation Officers and Directors pre-approval of the honorarium for the Secretary-Treasurer.
- 9.8 Examine and verify all requests for grants files including cancelled cheques, copies of requests, verification of recipient and cost sharing including the verification of the cheques provided for the Foundation portion of the projects payable to the supplier for equipment and supplies when and where appropriate.

R10 GENERAL POLICIES

10.1 Undesignated Funds

Excluding gaming funds received from Member Lodges that are not designated for a specific project shall be deposited in the Alberta Elks Foundation.

10.2 Annual Reports

The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible to ensure the annual Foundation report and the annual financial statements and related information are all forwarded to Alberta Corporate Registry as required.

10.3 Financial Statements

The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible to ensure the monthly financial statements of the Foundation are circulated to the board and the Association President monthly thus ensuring the recipients are fully aware of the current status of the financial affairs of the Foundation.

10.4 Transfer of Funds

- 10.4.1 The Foundation Chair and Vice-Chair shall be authorized to approve a short-term loan, upon a request from the Alberta Elks Association President and Chair of the Association Trustees.
- 10.4.2 The loan shall not exceed \$15,000.00 and shall be limited to a six-month term.
- 10.4.3 There shall be no interest charges assessed to the Association for the short-term loan from the Foundation.
- 10.4.4 Upon approval, the Foundation Secretary-Treasurer shall immediately arrange for the transfer of funds to cover the short-term loan with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Alberta Elks Association.

R11 ALBERTA ELKS FOUNDATION FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

11.1 General Practices

- 11.1.1 The Foundation Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary-Treasurer shall have signing authority for the Foundation charitable and general accounts, investments, and other related financial statements.
- 11.1.2 The Foundation Chair, Vice Chair, Committee Chair and Secretary-Treasurer shall have signing authority for Foundation applications, and reports.
- 11.1.3 All cheques issued on Foundation accounts and any financial documents shall be signed by two members having signing authority.
- 11.1.4 The Trustees of the Foundation shall give all investments prior approval.
- 11.1.5 Major projects shall receive approval from the membership prior to any expenses being incurred. Once approved, the management of the project is the responsibility of the Trustees of the Foundation or selected committee.
- 11.1.6 Expenses incurred by Trustees shall be submitted using expense claim forms provided by the Secretary-Treasurer with receipts if applicable.
- 11.1.7 All other expenses submitted for reimbursement shall include receipts and explanation of the expense.
- 11.1.8 Office expenses in excess of \$500.00 shall be approved by the Chair and the Vice-Chair.

11.2 Paper Trails

11.2.1 Deposits

- a) A receipt is completed from the appropriate receipt book.
- b) Funds are recorded in the accounting program under the appropriate account and receipt number is noted under reference.
- c) Cheque is recorded in appropriate deposit book with the receipt number noted.
- d) Deposit is taken to the bank.

11.2.2 Expenses

- a) Invoice is received, a cheque is issued from the appropriate account in the cheque book and signed by the Secretary-Treasurer.
- b) Cheque number and date of cheque are written on the invoice and initialed by the Secretary/Treasurer.
- c) Cheque is recorded in the accounting program under the appropriate account.
- d) Cheque and invoice are reviewed and signed by another signing authority.
- e) Cheque is mailed to recipient.
- f) Invoice is filed in the appropriate folder of expenses.

11.2.3 Trustee Expenses

- a) Trustees complete an expense form, attach receipts where applicable, sign, and date the form then submit the form to the Secretary-Treasurer.
- b) Form is reviewed and signed by the Secretary-Treasurer.
- c) A cheque is issued from the appropriate account in the cheque book.
- d) Cheque number and date of cheque are written on the expense form and the form is signed by the Secretary-Treasurer.
- e) Cheque is recorded in the accounting program under the appropriate account.
- f) Cheque and expense form are reviewed and signed by another signing authority.
- g) Cheque is mailed to recipient.
- h) Expense form is filed in the appropriate folder of expenses.

11.3 Grants – Regular and Personal Assistance

- 11.3.1 Sponsoring Lodge submits proper application form with required supporting documents.
- 11.3.2 Upon receipt by Foundation Secretary-Treasurer, a file number is assigned, and this number is used for reference on cheque and journal entries.
- 11.3.3 Application and supporting documents copies are sent to Trustees for review.
- 11.3.4 Upon approval of Trustees, a cheque is made payable to service provider, equipment supplier or project management committee.
- 11.3.5 File is closed with a copy of the acknowledgement letter, supporting documents, minutes from lodge, copy of cheque from lodge showing donation, and AGLC signed agreement if applicable.

11.4 Major Projects

- 11.4.1 Plan for major projects is presented by the Lodge to the general membership for approval.
- 11.4.2 Once approved, general management of the project is the responsibility of the Lodge and expenses handled as reported above.
- 11.4.3 Any major expansion or adjustment to project parameters requires approval from the general membership.

R12 DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

12.1 Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees shall:

- 12.1.1 During the interim between meetings of The Foundation, take general charge of its property, the direction of its affairs shall be the governing body of The Foundation and shall perform such other duties as may be necessary to protect the interests and promote the objectives of The Foundation.
- 12.1.2 Have control of the finances of the Foundation, recommend ways and means for raising funds to defray the expenses of the Foundation, set aside the same, when received, for payment of such demands as are properly chargeable to it, and shall report all its acts to the next Annual Meeting.
- 12.1.3 Devise a system of financial accounting to safeguard, promote and protect the interests and welfare of The Foundation.

- 12.1.4 Be responsible for assessing the validity of all bills or accounts that have been paid from the funds of the Foundation.
- 12.1.5 Ensure that satisfactory insurance has been obtained on the Secretary-Treasurer and other members handling Foundation funds.
- 12.1.6 Submit a report to the Annual Meeting of its activities during the term of office and a Financial Report for the twelve-month period of April 1st to March 31st inclusive.
- 12.1.7 During the Annual Meeting introduce a bill known as the Budget, making appropriations in respect to each of the several objects for which the Foundation has to provide out of the moneys found to be in the Treasury and estimated to be coming in during the current twelve-month period of their fiscal year.
- 12.1.8 Have general authority over all funds and property belonging to or handled by the Foundation.
- 12.1.9 Receive, examine, consider, and review all applications for grants from the Foundation, where required, shall submit them to the Annual Meeting with its recommendations.

12.2 Powers of the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees shall have and exercise the following powers:

- 12.2.1 To prescribe forms and regulation governing all applications for grants from the Foundation.
- 12.2.2 To receive, examine, consider, and review all applications for grants not exceeding the sum of \$2,000.00, and in its discretion, to award the grant, refuse it, or refer it to the Annual General Meeting with comments and recommendations.
- 12.2.3 To prescribe forms and regulations governing all applications for payment of expense of administration of the Foundation, and not to exceed the maximum permitted herein.
- 12.2.4 To administer separate bank accounts designated for Special Projects.

12.3 Secretary-Treasurer

The Secretary-Treasurer shall:

- 12.3.1 Deliver sufficient insurance in the amount required by the Foundation as provided by Regulations before entering upon the duties of the office of the Secretary-Treasurer. The Board of Trustees will determine the correct amount of the insurance required.
- 12.3.2 Devote as much time to the duties of the office as is required to properly

carry out their duties, either personally or by those authorized to do so and directed by them.

- 12.3.3 Receive an honorarium from the Foundation for proper performance of their duties, which shall be established annually by the Board of Trustees at the Annual Meeting, and payable to them monthly.
- 12.3.4 Keep a true record of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting and all the meetings of the Board of Trustees and make sure that such records are accurate and complete.
- 12.3.5 Have charge of all records, books, and papers, documents of the Foundation under the direction of the Board of Trustees.
- 12.3.6 Be the custodian of all titles, deeds and other evidence of titles, or liens, and insurance policies and documents of the Foundation.
- 12.3.7 Be the custodian of the Seal of the Foundation.
- 12.3.8 Receive and give a receipt of all moneys of the Foundation and deposit the same immediately in a bank designated by the Board of Trustees for that purpose. At the same time, shall keep an accurate account of the receipts and expenditures of the Foundation and so classify and arrange the same that the condition of any funds at any time may be ascertainable.
- 12.3.9 To present a printed, itemized report to each Annual General Meeting showing all receipts and expenditures for the current year. It shall contain all such statistical information as may be essential for the guidance of the Foundation in its work. It shall be printed in sufficient numbers to furnish each delegate attending with a copy. A copy shall be circulated to the Secretary of every Lodge of the Foundation.
- 12.3.10 Be responsible for the hiring of personnel or tendering for outside services for the purpose of carrying out the duties and responsibilities of their office and providing detailed reports when requested to do so at the Annual Meeting or by the Board of Trustees.
- 12.3.11 In addition, all reports, documents, papers, copies recommendations or other matter to the Elks of Canada which the Foundation is required to furnish to Grand Lodge and to any level of government as and when required.

APPENDIX A

A. FOUNDATION GRANTS

A1 At each Annual Conference, the Foundation shall contribute the sum of \$750.00 as charitable assistance to a qualified project, organization or society as designated by the Host Lodge of that meeting.

A2 For all Lodge Grants:

- 2.1 All applications submitted for grants shall be prepared and sponsored by a member Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Alberta Elks Association.
- 2.2 Requests from member Lodges for Lodge projects and personal assistance grants shall be submitted to the Foundation Office utilizing forms prescribed by the Board of Trustees and issued by the Secretary.
- 2.3 All applications for assistance shall include a copy of the Lodge minutes where project is adopted by the Lodge and showing approval was given to make a request for assistance.
- 2.4 All applications for all Lodge projects and personal assistance shall be limited to an equal contribution from the Lodge. The Board of Trustees shall have authority to consider extenuating circumstances in considering applications.
- 2.5 Requests for grants and assistance for \$2,000 or less shall be forwarded to the Foundation office and shall be evaluated and approved throughout the year by the Trustees.
- 2.6 Requests for grants exceeding \$2,000 shall only be considered at the Annual General Meeting by the membership and shall be submitted to the office of the Foundation thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting.
- 2.7 Financial assistance to a Lodge project shall not exceed \$5,000 per project.
- 2.8 The Board of Trustees will review the request in a timely manner.
- 2.9 On-going Lodge projects requiring funding shall only be considered by the Foundation once in any three-year period.
- 2.10 Verification of the Lodge and other participants contributions shall be forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer immediately following the conclusion of the project.

A3 *Regular Grant Applications*

- 3.1 Financial assistance to a Lodge project will be limited to not more than the Lodge financial contribution to the project. The Board of Trustees will have the authority to consider extenuating circumstances regarding this regulation if requested by a Lodge making an application.
- 3.2 The Foundation contribution will be issued to the recipient or the company supplying the goods or services.
- 3.3 An itemized Financial Statement of the project must be included with the application.
- 3.4 A photocopy of the Lodge contribution or evidence of the Lodge contribution is to be forwarded to the Foundation Office.



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Foundation File # _____

LODGE REQUIREMENTS

Foundation Grants – Appendix A

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- 2.3 All applications shall include a copy of the Lodge minutes where the purpose of the grant application is adopted by the Lodge and showing approval was given to make the request for assistance.
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GENERAL GRANT APPLICATION

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A3 Regular Grant Applications

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- 3.2 The Foundation contribution will be issued to the recipient or the company supplying the goods or services.
- 3.3 An itemized Financial Statement of the project must be included with the application.
- 3.4 A photocopy of the Lodge contribution or evidence of the Lodge contribution is to be forwarded to the Foundation Office.

A4 Personal Assistance

- 4.5 Due to Alberta Gaming Liquor and Cannabis (AGLC) regulations, the Foundation **cannot support travel** and accommodation requests.

PROCESSING TIME FOR APPLICATIONS

If prior approval to use gaming funds is required, AGLC approval time is 5 – 7 business days.

Once the application and **all required information is received** the Secretary will send the information to the Trustees for review.

Once the application is approved or denied the Lodge will be notified by email, the cheque and letter will be mailed.

GENERAL GRANT APPLICATION

LODGE INFORMATION

Lodge Name & Number:	
Mailing Address:	
Contact Name & Phone Number:	
Email:	

COMMUNITY PROJECT

Project Name:	
Location of Project:	
Project Start and Finish Dates:	

Purpose of Project (Recreational, Educational, etc.) PLEASE be specific, as this information may need to be sent to AGLC for prior approval:

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Expected Benefit of Project:

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Person(s) or Organization responsible for the project:

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GENERAL GRANT APPLICATION

RECIPIENT or SUPPLIER INFORMATION	
Name of Recipient or Supplier:	
Address:	
FINANCIAL REQUEST INFORMATION	
Cost of Project or Amount Required:	\$
Fundraising Status:	
<input type="checkbox"/> All funding in hand <input type="checkbox"/> Pending other funding or grants (complete below) <input type="checkbox"/> Pledges only (complete below) <input type="checkbox"/> Not available	
Funds from sources other than Elks/Royal Purple Elks: (Government funding, other service groups, other pending funding, pledges etc.)	
1.	\$
2.	\$
3.	\$
4.	\$
Total Funds Raised or Requested:	
\$	
Lodge Contribution Amount:	
\$	
Contribution Amount Requested from Foundation:	
\$	

*****Please attach any supporting documents you feel pertinent to this application. (Doctor's reports, supplier quotes, etc.)***

GENERAL GRANT APPLICATION

DECLARATION AND AGREEMENT

We the undersigned hereby make application for financial assistance from the Alberta Elks Foundation as attached and declare:

- 1. That any assistance awarded will be used only for the purposes as stated in this application.
- 2. That we accept all the conditions governing awards as established by the Trustees of the Alberta Elks Foundation.
- 3. That we make this declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is the same force and effect as if made under oath.
- 4. That we have read and abide by all the conditions as outlined in the regulations.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20_____

Exalted Ruler/Honoured Royal Lady Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Secretary or Secretary/Treasurer Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

A4 Personal Assistance Applications

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- 4.2 Include a letter from a doctor or other medical professional giving a detailed estimate of cost and duration of required assistance as well as confirmation of need. When asking professionals for confirmation of diagnosis, advise them that this information will be held in confidence.
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LODGE REQUIREMENTS

Foundation Regulations Appendix A

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PERSONAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

PROCESSING TIME FOR APPLICATIONS

If prior approval to use gaming funds is required, AGLC approval time is 5 – 7 business days.

Once the application and **all required information is received** the Secretary will send the information to the Trustees for review.

Once the application is approved or denied the Lodge will be notified by email, the cheque and letter will be mailed.

LODGE INFORMATION	
Lodge Name & Number:	
Mailing Address:	
Contact Name & Phone Number:	
Email:	
GRANT INFORMATION	
Name of Applicant(s):	
Address of Applicant(s):	
Brief description of assistance requested:	
Expected benefit:	
Name of Recipient or Supplier:	
Address:	

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FINANCIAL REQUEST INFORMATION		
Total Donation: \$	Lodge Contribution: \$	
Amount Requested from Foundation:		\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Lodge Contribution: \$	Foundation Contribution: \$
LODGE INVESTIATION REPORT		
Medical or Group Insurance: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		How Much: \$
Other Funding: <input type="checkbox"/> Not Available <input type="checkbox"/> Other Funding (complete below): <input type="checkbox"/> Sought <input type="checkbox"/> Acquired <input type="checkbox"/> Pending		
From	Amount	Confirmed Donation
1.	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Pending
2.	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Pending
3.	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Pending
4.	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Pending

- Investigation completed by Lodge
- Letter/Form from Medical Professional confirming need, cost, and duration of treatment
- Letter authorizing Publication of Grant by Foundation and Lodge
- Declaration & Agreement Form from Applicant
- Declaration & Agreement Form from Lodge Officers

An Applicant for Personal Assistance to be made by a Lodge, except where the Applicant is a Lodge Member. In such case the Applicant may apply to the Lodge or directly to the Foundation who will conduct the investigation. All information is considered confidential as provided by any Applicant be it within the Lodge, within the Lodge Committee or at the Foundation Executive.

Date Submitted to Lodge: _____

Date Reviewed by Lodge: _____

Approved by Lodge: _____

*****Please attach any supporting documents you feel pertinent to this application. (Doctor's reports, supplier quotes, etc.)***

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

DECLARATION AND AGREEMENT - LODGE OFFICERS

LODGE OFFICERS: We the undersigned hereby make application for financial assistance from the Alberta Elks Foundation as attached and declare:

1. That we have faithfully and diligently conducted our investigation of the Applicant's request and verified that he/she needs Personal Assistance as requested.
2. That any assistance awarded will be used only for the purposes as stated in the application.
3. That we accept all the conditions governing awards as established by the Trustees of the Alberta Elks Foundation.
4. That we make this declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is the same force and effect as if made under oath.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____

Exalted Ruler/Honoured Royal Lady Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Secretary or Secretary/Treasurer Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

DECLARATION AND AGREEMENT - APPLICANT

APPLICANT: I, the undersigned hereby make application for financial assistance from the Alberta Elks Foundation as attached and declare:

1. That I have faithfully, honestly, and diligently make this request for assistance assuring that the information I have provided is true.
2. That any assistance awarded will be used only for the purposes as stated in the application.
3. That I accept all the conditions governing awards as established by the Trustees of the Alberta Elks Foundation including permission for the Lodge and the Alberta Elks Foundation to publicize their donation as they see fit, within the limits of protecting my/our personal information.
4. That I make this declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is the same force and effect as if made under oath.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____

Applicant (or for the Applicant): _____

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

A5 Disaster Assistance Applications

- 5.1 Upon knowledge of the disaster to a family, the Lodge is to contact the Foundation Secretary. Requests for emergency disaster assistance may be initially applied for by telephone contact with the Foundation Office.
- 5.2 Financial assistance would be made available upon the receipt of the phone call /request.
- 5.3 Funds will be provided for the family's principal residence only, if burnt or destroyed.
- 5.4 Each household will only be allowed one grant of \$500 from the Disaster Assistance Program. Any further assistance will need to be applied for a personal assistance grant application in its regular form.
- 5.5 The cheque will be made payable to the family involved.
- 5.6 The Secretary-Treasurer is authorized to issue said cheque with a single signature.
- 5.7 At the first Lodge meeting following the disaster, a motion will be passed by the Lodge authorizing the application for assistance. A copy of the minutes is to be forwarded as soon as possible to the Foundation Office along with the application form. The financial assistance will be recorded as a grant from the Foundation.
- 5.8 Requests for Disaster Victim Assistance involving an emergency as a result of a natural disaster, affecting a large area / population will not be eligible.
- 5.9 The application for Disaster Victim Assistance shall only be made by Lodges in the jurisdiction of the Alberta Elks.



DISASTER ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

Foundation File # _____

Purpose of Application: House Fire Other _____

Foundation Regulations Appendix A

A5 Disaster Victim Assistance

- 5.1 Upon knowledge of the disaster to a family, the Lodge is to contact the Foundation Secretary by phone. Requests for emergency disaster assistance may be initially applied for by telephone contact with the Foundation Office.
- 5.2 Financial assistance would be made available upon the receipt of the phone call/request.
- 5.3 Funds will be provided for the **family's principal residence only**, if burnt or destroyed.
- 5.4 Each household will **only** be allowed **one (1)** grant of \$500. Any further assistance will need to be applied for as a personal assistance grant application.
- 5.5 The cheque will be made payable to the **family involved**.
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Once the application is complete it can be sent to the Foundation by email: albertaelksfoundation@gmail.com or by mail. When minutes are available, they can also be sent by email or mail.

DISASTER ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

LODGE INFORMATION

Lodge Name & Number:	
Mailing Address:	
Contact Name & Phone Number:	
Email:	

GRANT INFORMATION

Name of Family:		
Address of Family:		
Location of Disaster:		
Number of Family Members:	Adults #	Children (under 18) #

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Lodge Contribution Amount:	\$
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DECLARATION

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____

Exalted Ruler/Honoured Royal Lady Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Secretary or Secretary/Treasurer Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

A6 Tab's for Tots Applications

- 6.1 All applications must include authorization from the sponsoring Lodge to take the application (i.e., copy of motion).
- 6.2 Any project more than \$5,000 will be determined to be a capital project and will not be considered by the Trustees.
- 6.3 Applications for items intended for care will only be accepted for consideration by the Trustees. **Items intended for delivery rooms, nurseries, or pediatric wards.**
- 6.4 All applications over \$2,000 for consideration as a joint donation with the sponsoring Lodge and the Foundation, must be submitted to the Foundation Office no later than May 1st of each calendar year in order to be considered at the Annual General Meeting.
- 6.5 Applications \$2,000 or less will be accepted throughout the year.
- 6.6 Consideration of any application will be at the discretion of the Trustees.
- 6.7 First consideration will be given to those areas that have not received a contribution in the previous two years.
- 6.8 Priority will be given to non-regional hospital and health unit applications.
- 6.9 Proper support information and additional materials to accompany the application is required to assist the Foundation Trustees in their consideration of each application.



TABS FOR TOTS APPLICATION

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TABS FOR TOTS APPLICATION

LODGE INFORMATION	
Lodge Name & Number:	
Mailing Address:	
Contact Name & Phone Number:	
Email:	
RECIPIENT INFORMATION	
Hospital Name:	
Contact Name:	
Contact Phone Number:	
Equipment being sponsored:	
Equipment Purpose and Description (attach literature if available):	
FINANCIAL REQUEST	
Cost of Equipment Required:	\$
Contribution Amount Requested from Foundation:	\$
Other Contributors if applicable:	

TABS FOR TOTS APPLICATION

DECLARATION

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____

Exalted Ruler/Honoured Royal Lady: _____

Print Name: _____

Secretary or Secretary/Treasurer: _____

Print Name: _____

A7 Special Projects

Financial assistance for a Special Project may exceed \$5,000 from the associated bank account, upon request by the Project Chair and upon approval of the Board of Trustees.

APPENDIX B

B. FOUNDATION SECRETARY-TREASURER DUTIES

January/February

- Invoice Association for their share of insurance bill.
- Mail out notices to Lodges reminding them of timelines for conference grant applications (over \$2000 and Tabs).
- Work with Trustees to develop budget for upcoming year.

March

- Start arrangements for annual meeting; block rooms at conference hotel, confirm meeting room requirements with host committee and pre-register executive members for conference.

April

- Have financial records to March 31 prepared for delivery to auditor. Provide copy of current bylaws, all meeting minutes, any gaming reports, and current raffle records.
- Start reminding all parties of need for annual general meeting material to be sent in for preparation.
- Determine award winners for Bill Hiltz and Bob Manning plaques, prepare certificates and have the plaque updated.
- Send reminder out to lodges regarding booking the float for summer.

May

- Attend review of audit with the auditors, invite members of Foundation and representatives of the Association.
- Prepare booklet for Foundation annual general meeting.
- Prepare all meeting materials for pre and post conference and annual meeting, (copies of minutes, grant applications, ballots, extra copies of financial statements).

June

- Attend conference and deliver booklets to host committee for distribution.
- At Foundation pre-conference meeting record minutes and prepare any cheques for presentation at the annual general meeting.
- Foundation annual general meeting at conference record minutes, have certificates and cheques there for presentation, and any special need items for meeting and presentations.
- Have four copies of audit signed by current Chair and ready for future use.
- At Association conference take note of any business that may affect the Foundation.
- Prepare and have host charity cheque ready for President's Ball.
- Have post conference meeting room arranged and materials ready, record minutes and elections.
- At any time throughout conference be prepared to receive donations and record final amounts for use on Saturday at the closing of the AGM.
- Following conference, complete annual meeting minutes and forward to Grand Lodge along with audited financial statements, receipt and deposit all funds received during conference. Post conference minutes are needed for bank to register new signing authorities with bank, arrange for signing officers with bank to sign either electronically or in person at their local bank.
- Send in Societies Annual report to Alberta Registries with copy of signed audit and executive list.
- Send a copy of the draft minutes from the AGM to lodges and association.
- Wrap up any other business that arose during conference i.e., Trustee expenses.
- Forward any lodge donations directed to ISTAR.
- Update Trustee information with Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis (AGLC).

July/August

- Deal with regular bills of the Foundation and monitor progress and needs of Float.
- Ask for letter of greeting for lodges from Chair for September mail out.

September/October

- Prepare and send general mail out to Lodges including Chair letter, Foundation Executive and Committee contact list and any other pertinent information.
- Send annual commitment to ISTAR.
- If midterm meeting is being held, book rooms for appropriate executive attending, arrange for meeting room and start preparing material.
- Deal with Foundation insurance review and ensure adequate coverage is in place.

November/December

- Attend Midterm meeting, record minutes and provide support information where required.
- Contact ISTAR and Chair for their contributions for the December mailout to lodges and posting in newsletter.

Year Round

- Field inquiries for grants and assist lodges in making applications. Forward application materials for Trustees to review and assist in obtaining answers from lodge regarding any questions. Replying either in the affirmative or negative the decision of Trustees.
- Receive, receipt, and deposit any donations received through the year, and forward funds directed to ISTAR.
- Review Foundation investments as they mature and receive direction from Trustees for further disposition.
- Assist Raffle Chair in distribution of information.
- Provide Trustees with information and arrange for any meetings.
- Provide Storage space for 2 years of “completed” raffle materials and for historical Foundation files.
- Receive, receipt, deposit and coordinate the float bookings with the host lodge.
- Receive, and receipt Toy Drive and Mighty Lil Elk project.