



\$50,000 Boost to Community Groups thanks to Credit Union

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February 25, 2010- Discovery Islands, BC. Across the Discovery Islands, 16 community groups are the first recipients of the Quadra Credit Union Legacy Fund, made available through Coastal Community Credit Union.

Established as part of last year's merger between Quadra Credit Union and Coastal Community Credit Union, the funding program builds on the former QCU's decades-old legacy of community involvement and enhancement. The QCU Legacy Fund will share \$50,000 per year with the Discovery Islands' communities for a period of six years.

Helping to determine how the Fund can make meaningful differences within the surrounding communities is the Discovery Islands' Community Connection Council. The Council is headed by volunteer Credit Union members from the area. With their help, funds are distributed to support community needs in Arts & Culture, Community Service, Education, Environment, Health, Sports & Recreation, and Youth.

Says Betty Doak, chair of the Discovery Islands' Community Connection Council and a former QCU Board member, "The Fund is a way of giving back to our Quadra and Cortes Island communities and connecting our past to our future through the financial support of community projects. On behalf of the volunteer members of the Council, we are very proud to be a part of this important community funding process."

The former QCU supported and encouraged community well-being, a value that Coastal Community is proud to maintain through the Legacy Fund, as well as through many other community initiatives. "We are very pleased to act on the wishes of former Quadra Credit Union Board of Directors and members through this special community Legacy Fund," says Joe Cristiano, Coastal Community's Chief Community & Marketing Officer.

"Quadra Island Seniors Housing Society is honoured to be one of the first grant recipients," remarks Ken Duncan, President. "We extend our thanks to Coastal Community and the volunteer Council members. Their commitment to supporting the needs of the Discovery Islands' communities is admirable and greatly appreciated."

Coastal Community congratulates the 2009-2010 Quadra Credit Union Legacy Fund recipients:

Quadra Island Seniors Housing Society	Rental Housing Project
Quadra Island Recreation Society	Playground
Cortes Community Radio Society	Production Capabilities
Discovery Islands Emergency Preparedness Association	Equipment and Communications
Quadra Elementary School PAC	Kitchen Upgrade
Quadra Island Cemetery	Expansion Project
Old Farm Community Garden	Old Farm Community Garden: Phase 2
Cortes Island Seniors Society	Seniors Newsletter
SCCA	East Wall Repairs
Cortes Island Seniors Society	Seniors Village Garden
Quadra Children's Centre	Making Learning Visible
Quadra Elementary School PAC	Sports Program
Quadra Island Salmon Enhancement Society	Eco-Centre Education Outreach Program
Quadra Literacy NOW	LIT KIT FOR KIDS

Coastal Community Credit Union thanks all who applied to the Quadra Credit Union Legacy Fund. Community groups interested in applying to Coastal Community's 2010-2011 QCU Legacy Fund, or other community investment programs, are invited to visit our website at www.cccu.ca.

About Coastal Community Credit Union

Serving Island communities for more than 60 years, Coastal Community Credit Union is the largest Credit Union based on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. With more than 80,000 members, 650-plus employees, and over \$1.6 billion in assets, Coastal Community offers complete financial services and solutions through an extensive network of personal banking, insurance, investments, and business services centres across Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. Passionate about the communities it serves, Coastal Community supports community organizations through various programs and the volunteer efforts of its dedicated employees. For more information, visit www.cccu.ca.

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