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OVER \$1M REQUESTED FROM CBT CI&AAP *2010 grant cycle receives a record 41 applications*

(Golden) – Golden & Area A organizations are collectively requesting over \$1 million from Columbia Basin Trust's Community Initiatives & Affected Areas Programs this year.

By the March 29 deadline, 41 project proposals had been submitted to the Town of Golden's Community Funds Local Selection Committee (CFLSC). This is a significant increase from the 30 applications received and \$562,532 requested just a year ago, and much more than the \$332,380.64 available from CBT.

"At noon I had received 13 applications. Over the next four hours the balance quickly filled my inbox," said the Town of Golden's Jon Wilsgard, Manager of Corporate Services. "This will keep the CFLSC very busy."

While the volunteer committee pours over the applications during the coming weeks, the public will have an opportunity to ask questions on April 19 and 20 at the Golden Seniors Centre. On these two evenings, from 6 – 9 p.m., the proponents will present their projects at which time the CFLSC and public will have the chance to ask questions.

According to the policies and guidelines, projects that focus on social, community, arts/culture/heritage, recreation, environmental and economic sustainability issues and improvements are the priority for the program.

Funding decisions, ratified by the Town of Golden Council and CSRD Area A Director, will be announced in June.

CBT delivers economic, social, and environmental benefits to the residents of the Columbia Basin. To learn more about CBT programs and initiatives, visit www.cbt.org or call 1-800-505-8998.

The Golden & District Community Foundation attracts and effectively grows permanent funds; provides leadership and administration that helps in addressing significant community needs; and help donors fulfill their philanthropic interests. The GDCF is a proud partner of CBT's Community Initiatives & Affected Areas Programs.

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