**2022 AIRDRIE ROTARY DRAGON’S DEN COMMUNITY FUNDING EVENT**

**Tuesday November 29th, 2022**

**7:00 pm**

**Rotary Room Genesis Place**

Again this year, on “World Giving Day” our Rotary Club will hear short requests from **approximately 10** charities, community groups, service organizations, sports and art groups, for grants between $500 and $1,500. **To accommodate all groups, these pitches can total a maximum of 2 minutes, to be followed by a few questions.**

Participants will be vying for a total of $10,000, to be divided amongst the successful groups.

Preference will be typically given to groups serving the Airdrie area, and also to requests for items to be purchased, or sponsorship of special events, as opposed to ongoing and administrative costs. Often, a group receives something less than what they have sought, and a frequent question is, **“is your request an all or nothing request?” Please address this question in your written submission, and specify how your proposal can proceed without full funding from Rotary.** Airdrie Rotary also likes to receive some type of tangible recognition, because that helps our own ability to fundraise and recruit members. Please address this as well.

**To be eligible to pitch, please submit a 1 page or shorter (but not longer) written proposal no later than November 7th, to** **drathgeber@wkalawyers.ca****.** We expect to have 20 or more applicants, and our club will pre-decide which applications will proceed on November 29th based on the merit of all requests, and the total amounts requested. Your group will be notified on November 22nd if you are selected to make a pitch.

If your group is selected to pitch, your one page written pitch page will be photocopied and distributed to our members, who will vote on all funding requests, after reading your page, and hearing your 2 minute pitch. **Due to time constraints, we cannot allow video equipment or slide-show presentations.  Additional pamphlets or handouts are not allowed** because our members **will not** have time to read more than 1 page per pitch. **Please also remember that the maximum 2 minute per pitch rule has to be strictly enforced**, to ensure that all requests can be heard. **So please rehearse your pitch with a 2 minute time limit** after you have been notified that your group has been selected to pitch.

**Please also give us your exact legal name and mailing address** to better allow for us to forward a cheque if your group is successful. **Please also give us your best email contact name and address** for future correspondence and next year’s invitation list.

Further questions may be submitted to the above email address.

Airdrie Rotary looks forward to your request.