Program Advice Inventory Listing

* If a project or service is determined to be ineligible, funding may be provided to assist with community development activities such as public education/awareness (i.e., promotion and information, and volunteer training/development). Core expenses (e.g., rent, salaries, travel, telephone, utilities, etc.) would not be eligible for funding.

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ABC Headstart	See "Preschool Programs." Intent determines eligibility.		
Adult Tutoring	Projects/services that focus primarily on adult literacy competency are the responsibility of Advanced Education and Technology and community adult learning councils.		
Babysitting Courses	Encourages teens and pre-teens to develop life skills and/or social responsibility.		
Bicycle Safety Program	See "Safety Programs."		
Block Parent Program	See "Safety Programs."		
Books for Babies	See "Literacy Programs." Intent determines eligibility.		
Building Blocks	See "Literacy Programs." Intent determines eligibility.		
Capital Expenses	Capital expenditures are not eligible. Examples include, but are not limited to, the following: purchase of land; purchase, construction or renovation of a facility; purchase of motor vehicles; construction of or equipping playgrounds, water parks, swimming pools, etc. Purchase of office equipment, furnishings and supplies essential to the operation of local FCSS Programs and their funded organizations (for projects/services with preventive social outcomes) is eligible.		
Child Car Seat Safety Program	See "Safety Programs."		

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Child Care/Day Care (ages 0 to 5)	Child care/day care services for children ages 0 to 5 that are licensed under provincial child care legislation to provide basic daily care and subsidies are not eligible.		
Child Find	See "Safety Programs."		
Christmas Hampers	The primary focus is providing for basic needs. Assistance to sustain an individual or family, including money, food, clothing or shelter, is not eligible. Refer to Section 2.1(2)(b) of the FCSS Regulation.		
Citizens on Patrol	See "Justice-based Programs."		
Clothing Depots/ Thrift Shops	The primary focus is providing for basic needs. Assistance to sustain an individual or family, including money, food, clothing or shelter, is not eligible. Refer to Section 2.1(2)(b) of the FCSS Regulation.		
Collective Kitchens/ Community Kitchens/ Community Gardens	Intent of program determines eligibility: • focus is on developing independence, strengthening coping skills, building relationships and support networks; • focus is on menu planning, nutrition, budget planning, learning shopping and/or gardening skills.		
Community Development Activities	Community development is an integral component of FCSS. Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, the following: information and referral services; developing directories designed to inform the public of available resources; interagency co-ordination; increasing public awareness about community issues; developing strategies for community advocacy; developing comprehensive social community plans and initiatives; environmental scans; service reviews; needs assessments; strategic planning; program planning; and, in-kind support to community-based groups (until self-sustaining), such as in-kind office space, printing, photocopying, assistance with proposals, etc.		
Community Policing	See "Justice-based Programs."		
Community/School Resource Officers	Community/School Resource Officers that focus on an enhanced level of policing fall under the mandate of Solicitor General and Public Security. Refer to section 2.1(2)(d) of the FCSS Regulation. See "Justice-based Programs."		

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Community Signs	Purpose/intent determines eligibility: • signs that provide information on community activities and events and are accessible to an entire community (e.g., bulletin board located in a central square) are eligible. Collaboration with other stakeholders should occur where possible to share costs. • signs that welcome residents/visitors to a community that include a listing of available businesses and organizations are not eligible.		
Conference/Event Attendance	Purpose/intent determines eligibility: • conference/events designed to encourage the development of healthy lifestyles, leadership skills and/or social responsibility are eligible. • recognition conferences/events that do not meet FCSS criteria or that have an entertainment/ recreational focus or receive funding from another government source are not eligible.		
Counselling	Purpose/intent determines eligibility: • short-term counselling and referral services (e.g., individual, family and group counselling, bereavement counselling, support groups and referral services) are eligible. • crisis, treatment or long-term counselling is not eligible.		
Crime Prevention Programs/Activities including, but not limited to, the following: Citizens on Patrol, Community/School Resource Officers, Community Policing, Neighbourhood Watch and Waterways Watch	See "Justice-based Programs."		
Crisis/Distress Lines	Intent of program determines eligibility: • information/referral and/or volunteer training/development expenses are eligible. • core operating costs (salaries, rent, utilities, etc.) for crisis intervention/treatment services are not eligible.		

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Day Care	See "Child Care/Day Care (ages 0 to 5)."		
Disaster Services/Social Services Programming	Municipal Affairs is responsible for maintaining emergency management systems that enables communities to prepare for, respond to and recover from major emergencies and disasters. Municipal governments also have a responsibility in this area.		
Dispute/Conflict Resolution	See "Justice-based Programs."		
Drug Awareness Resistance Education (DARE)	DARE is a program developed by the RCMP; the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (AADAC), part of Health Services, also administers and funds information, prevention and treatment services to assist Albertans with alcohol, drug and gambling problems.		
"Dry Grad" Celebrations	Graduation parties are designed to provide a safe entertainment/recreation activity to celebrate a significant school accomplishment. Intent does not meet the FCSS definition of prevention in that the main objective does not avert social breakdown.		
Donations to Community Groups/Organizations	Section 4(d) of the FCSS Regulation states the following: "Expenditures of the program shall not include any costs required to sustain an organization that do not relate to direct service delivery under the program."		
Emergency Shelters, including, but not limited to, the following: Sexual Assault Centres, Short-term Emergency Housing, Women's Shelters and Youth Emergency Shelters	Emergency shelters are crisis intervention/ rehabilitative services with a primary focus of providing for basic needs (e.g., during emergency/ disaster situations). Assistance to sustain an individual or family, including money, food, clothing or shelter, is not eligible. Refer to Section 2.1(2)(b) of the FCSS Regulation. Public education/awareness (i.e., promotion and information of the service) is eligible.		
Employment Programs/ Employment Training Programs	Employment programs are the responsibility of Employment and Immigration and the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development (Government of Canada).		
Family Literacy Tote Bag Program	See "Literacy Programs." Intent determines eligibility.		

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Family School Liaison	Provides students and their families an opportunity to discuss and address concerns about home and/or school in a counselling setting. This program is not mandated under any government department and does not duplicate an existing service.		
Family Violence Prevention	Includes eligible and ineligible components: • public awareness/education; volunteer development. • core operating costs (salaries, rent, utilities, etc.) for crisis intervention or rehabilitation services.		
Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)	Includes eligible and ineligible components: • public awareness/education; volunteer development. • assessment or support to individuals diagnosed with FASD.		
Fire Safety Program	See "Safety Programs."		
First Aid Courses	See "Safety Programs."		
Food Banks	See "Nutrition Programs."		
Healthy Families/Home Visitation Programs	Healthy Families, or Home Visitation Programs, are designed to support families in providing a nurturing, stimulating and safe environment for young children ages 0 to 6. Core funding is provided by Children and Youth Services and allocated through regional Child and Family Services Authorities. Local FCSS Programs may support Healthy Families/Home Visitation Programs by providing services in-kind or additional dollars to enhance services.		
Help Lines	Intent of program determines eligibility: • information/referral; volunteer training/ development. • core operating costs (salaries, rent, utilities, etc.) for crisis intervention services.		

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Home Alone Program	Intent of program determines eligibility: • if provided as a component of a youth program, and the focus is on encouraging teens and pre-teens to develop life skills and/or social responsibility, it is eligible. • if provided as a stand alone school-based project and the focus is primarily safety, security and/or injury prevention (i.e., main intent does not avert social breakdown), it is not eligible.		
Home Care	Home care is a medical service funded by Health and Wellness. Alberta Health Services is responsible for the planning and delivery of numerous health supports and services including acute care; emergency services; home care; long-term care; public health; and rehabilitation services. Individuals assessed with medical conditions requiring home care services (including homemaking and care-giving practices, assistance with meal preparation and bathing) are not eligible.		
Home Support	Home support services that are designed to assist seniors to remain in their homes longer and to encourage their participation as active community members are eligible. Eligible costs include, but are not limited to, housekeeping services and yard maintenance. Services may be provided directly, contracted with not-for-profit agencies or private contractors, or in partnership with Alberta Health Services. Services provided must be non-medical (i.e., not required as a result of medical procedures, treatments or assessments). Home support services may not be provided for short-term urgent or emergency situations. See "Emergency Shelters."		
Honorariums	Includes fees and daily allowances paid to FCSS board members or board members of organizations receiving FCSS funding. Refer to Section 4(f) of the FCSS Regulation.		

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Housing Projects	Eligible components include community engagement and/or facilitation processes such as raising public awareness about affordable housing issues, needs identification, advocacy, development of affordable housing or homelessness plans/initiatives, and the development of comprehensive community plans. FCSS may also provide administrative support to community-based affordable housing groups (until they are self-sustaining), such as in-kind office space, printing, photocopying, assistance with proposals, etc. Capital expenses, including building costs or costs associated with administration of specific housing projects and financial subsidies are not eligible.		
Jump Start	See "Literacy Programs." Intent determines eligibility.		
Justice-based Programs, including, but not limited to, the following: Citizens on Patrol, Community Policing, Community/School Resource Officers, Dispute/Conflict Resolution, Neighbourhood Watch, Waterways Watch and Youth Justice Committees	Justice-based programs/initiatives including crime prevention activities are mandated under other government departments (e.g., Solicitor General and Public Security and Justice and Attorney General) and are not eligible for funding. For further information regarding responsibilities and mandates of Government of Alberta ministries, visit http://alberta.ca/home/government.cfm. In 2003, the Ministry and the FCSSAA partnered to develop a "Working Together" paper related to FCSS working with different aspects of the justice system. This paper, along with numerous other publications, is posted on the Children and Youth Services website at www.child.alberta.ca/home/821.cfm. It is also available through the FCSSAA.		
Lifeline/Apello/ Medical Alert	Intent of program determines eligibility: • focus is on providing supports that help sustain people as active participants in the community. • focus is primarily safety, security and/or injury prevention (i.e., main intent does not avert social breakdown).		
Literacy for Life	See "Literacy Programs." Intent determines eligibility.		

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Literacy Programs, including, but not limited to, the following: Books for Babies, Building Blocks, Family Literacy Tote Bag Program, Jump Start and Literacy for Life	Intent of program determines eligibility: • developing or promoting parent/child relationships and/or increasing parenting skills is eligible. • improving literacy skills is a responsibility of Education and is not eligible.		
Management/ Administrative Expenses	Management and administrative expenditures representing support for FCSS programming (as reported on Annual FCSS Program Reports) are eligible. Municipal costs that are not part of an FCSS Program are ineligible. Refer to Section 5(e) of the FCSS Regulation.		
Meals on Wheels	Includes eligible and ineligible components: • support components including volunteer training, public awareness and/or purchase of containers. • core operating costs (salaries, rent, utilities, purchase of food, etc.).		
Mediation Services	Intent of program determines eligibility: • family conflict mediation services is eligible. • justice-based medication services, including neighbourhood conflict resolution is not eligible.		
Neighbourhood Watch	See "Justice-based Programs."		
Nursery School Programs	See "Preschool Programs."		
Nutrition Programs including, but not limited to, the following: Food Banks, School Breakfast and/or Lunch Programs	Assistance to sustain an individual or family, including money, food, clothing or shelter, is not eligible. Refer to Section 2.1(2)(b) of the FCSS Regulation.		
Out of Pocket Expenses	Includes FCSS board members and volunteers participating in FCSS-funded activities.		

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Out-of-School Care	Children and Youth Services became directly involved in out-of-school care with the announcement of the *Creating Child Care Choices* plan on May 9, 2008. The Alberta Child Care Accreditation Funding Program provides funding for licensed out-of-school care programs to become accredited and for the recruitment and retention of trained, qualified staff. For additional information, visit www.child.alberta.ca/childcare. • Out-of-school care subsidies are provided through regional Child and Family Services Authorities and are not eligible for funding. For further information, visit www.child.alberta.ca/home/1148.cfm or contact the local CFSA. • Administration/operating costs for out-of-school care programs are eligible.		
Palliative Care Assistance	Intent does not meet the FCSS definition of prevention in that the main objective does not avert social breakdown. Palliative care is the responsibility of Alberta Health Services (Health and Wellness).		
Prevent Alcohol and Risk-Related Trauma in Youth (PARTY) Program	The PARTY Program, delivered by the RCMP, Victim Services, Emergency Medical Services and a program facilitator, targets Grade 9 students and provides education to recognize risk, make informed choices and consider the consequences of their decision and behaviours related to safe driving. This program does not meet the definition of FCSS prevention in that the primary focus is safety and injury prevention. The main intent does not avert social breakdown.		

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Playground Equipment	Capital purchases, including playground equipment, are not eligible. Services must not provide primarily for the recreational needs or leisure time pursuits of individuals. Refer to Section 2.1(2)(a) of the FCSS Regulation.		
Playschool Programs	See "Preschool Programs." Intent determines eligibility.		
Preschool Programs including, but not limited to, the following: ABC Headstart, Nursery School Programs and Playschool Programs	Intent of program determines eligibility: • The focus is on social development of preschool-aged children. • focus is on education preparation to begin school.		
Quest	Lions-Quest Canada has developed a number of programs to promote positive life skills and conflict resolution skills for students from kindergarten to Grade 12. These programs are taught by trained teachers in classroom settings and are designed to fit within various provincial curricula in language arts, health and personal life skills and social studies. School-based programs are the responsibility of Alberta Education.		
Recreation/Leisure/ Entertainment/Sports	Services must not provide primarily for the recreational needs or leisure time pursuits of individuals. Activities, events, equipment, uniforms, etc. for recreation, leisure, entertainment, or sporting activities are not eligible for funding.		
Roots of Empathy	Roots of Empathy is a program delivered in the classroom to reduce levels of aggression and violence among school-aged children while raising social/emotional competence and increasing empathy. This program is not mandated under any other government department and does not duplicate an existing service.		
Safe and Caring Schools	Core services are not eligible. Alberta Education is responsible for this initiative. The *Alberta School Act* was amended in June 1999 to include a section on safe and caring schools.		

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Safety Programs including, but not limited to, the following: Bicycle Safety, Block Parent Program, Child Car Seat Safety, Child Find, First Aid Courses, Swim/Water/ Boating Safety	These programs do not meet the definition of FCSS prevention in that their <u>primary</u> focus is safety, security and/or injury prevention. The main intent does not avert <u>social</u> breakdown.		
Santa's Anonymous	Program does not meet the definition of FCSS prevention in that the main intent does not avert social breakdown.		
School Breakfast/Lunch Programs	See "Nutrition Programs."		
School Resource Officers	See "Community/School Resource Officers" and "Justice-based Programs."		
Search/Rescue Programs	Program does not meet the definition of FCSS prevention in that the main intent does not avert social breakdown. Ground search and rescue is the responsibility of local police forces, supported by volunteer ground search and rescue groups and/or government or private sector aircraft. Municipal Affairs is responsible for maintaining an emergency management system, including a "Search and Rescue Operations Plan."		
Seniors Residences/ Lodges	Seniors residences/lodges provide safe home like environments and health care to support seniors when their level of independence decreases and they are no longer able to remain in their own homes and actively participate in the community. Seniors residences/lodges do not meet the definition of FCSS prevention in that the main intent of the residences does not avert social breakdown. Assistance to sustain an individual or family, including money, food, clothing or shelter, is not eligible. Refer to Section 2.1(2)(b) of the FCSS Regulation.		
Sexual Assault Centres	See "Emergency Shelters."		
Short-term Emergency Housing	See "Emergency Shelters."		

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Sports-Related Activities	See "Recreation/Leisure/Entertainment/ Sports."		
Subsidies	Section 2.1(2)(b) of the FCSS Regulation states the following: "Services provided under a program must not offer direct assistance, including **money**, food, clothing or shelter, to sustain an individual or family."		
Suicide Prevention	Intent of program determines eligibility: • community development components (public information, awareness, education, referral services, volunteer training) that support the prevention of suicide are eligible. • core operating costs (salaries, rent, utilities, etc.) for crisis intervention/treatment services, including suicide intervention training and suicide prevention crisis lines are not eligible.		
Summer Fun/ Playground Programs	Intent of program determines eligibility: • social development of children is eligible. • recreational/entertainment activities are not eligible.		
Swim/Water/Boating Safety Programs	See "Safety Programs."		
Transportation Services	Local FCSS Programs may fund services that are in support of core programming, such as transporting individuals to and/or from an FCSS event or activity. Eligible components include fuel costs, minor maintenance expenses, lease costs and driver expenses. Core operating costs of a transportation service are not eligible in that the intent does not meet the FCSS definition of prevention (i.e., main objective does not avert social breakdown). Ineligible costs also include expenses that are part of a regularly scheduled service; subsidy costs; health-related travel (e.g., transporting individuals to and/or from medical appointments); leisure/entertainment/ recreation-related travel including shopping trips; vocation-related travel; capital costs (e.g., vehicle purchases, and major operating expenses including vehicle repair and purchase of vehicle parts).		

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Transportation Services (continued)	Under revised program guidelines of the Municipal Affairs Sustainability Initiative, capital project and conditional operating funding is available to municipalities to assist with specialized transportation services. For further information, visit www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/wp_municipal_sustainability_initiative.cfm. Where it appears that local FCSS resources are being allocated to ineligible transportation services, Ministry staff will request expenditure clarification.		
Victim Services	See "Justice-based Programs."		
Volunteer Development	Services designed to promote, facilitate and support volunteer work in the community including, but not limited to, recruitment, training, placement services and recognition.		
Waterways Watch	See "Justice-based Programs."		
Women's Shelters	See "Emergency Shelters."		
Youth Conferences/Camps	Intent of conference determines eligibility: • conferences designed to encourage youth to develop healthy lifestyles, leadership/life skills and/or social responsibility are eligible. • youth recognition events that do not meet FCSS criteria or are primarily recreational and/or sports-focused are not eligible. • youth camps that are primarily recreational, nature and/or wilderness survival are not eligible.		
Youth Emergency Shelters	See "Emergency Shelters."		
Youth Justice Committees	See "Justice-based Programs."		