

Playground Committee for many years...



Despite the hard work by the Committee Chairs, we were never able to get beyond the planning stages

2020

When the pandemic hit, any momentum we had on the project was lost.

From 2020 through 2022, not much progress was made



Fall of 2022

- In-person PAC meetings resumed
- Play Spaces Committee gained a new member
 - Adam Walsh was a new Kindergarten parent who happened to work with a playground installation company called Habitat
 - He was cautious in his participation as he didn't want to influence the committee in any way, but offered to share his expertise in the field.
 - We were thrilled to have such a knowledgeable parent join our team!

Fall of 2022

- In October 2022, Rob Lumb from SD63 Facilities met with Heather Brass, Meghan Judson, Adam Walsh & Tassie Harris at KÉLSET to discuss their ideas and what would work from a facilities perspective.
- Rob let us know that the District did not have any funds to contribute to this project at that time.

ROLE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

- The School District does not typically fund these types of projects. It was noted that KÉLSET is far down the list to receive funding from the Provincial Playground Equipment Program (PEP).
- SD63 will ultimately be responsible for the maintenance of the space and any equipment that is installed
- Because of this they must have a say and give approval
- Anything purchased by the PAC and installed on school grounds becomes the property of the school district and their responsibility to maintain.

Fall of 2022

- The Committee talked about areas of priority to help narrow the focus and move the project forward.
- Tassie shared information from a survey that Vice Principal Philip Jungen had conducted with school staff.
- The committee narrowed it down to 5 possible projects

November 2022

The Committee presented their 5 project ideas at the November PAC meeting:



#1: Natural Play area

- a. Focused type active climber
- b. Yellow cedar materials would be used
- c. Kids are given the opportunity to improvise through play on natural materials

November 2022

The Committee presented their 5 project ideas at the PAC meeting:



#2: Outdoor Classroom

(on field near Earthquake Bin)

- a. A wood timber Frame
(\$155,000)
- b. Steel Shelter Frame
(\$110,000)
 - i. This would be less
without a concrete pad

November 2022

The Committee presented their 5 project ideas at the PAC meeting:



#3: Accessible Play in Spider Climber Area

- a. Unit in the worst condition at KELSET
- b. A more universal access design would be a great addition to our playground
 - i. The We Go Round is accessible for all mobility levels
 - ii. The Global Motion is another spinning option
 - iii. Omni Spin (\$20,000 approx) is a spinner that offers back support

November 2022

The Committee presented their 5 project ideas at the PAC meeting:



#4: Hillside Playground

- A 30 degree slope is needed for this type of playscape
- To have a structure like this, it cannot just be built on grass, a rubberized base must be used to build up the hill.
- Estimated cost \$80,000+

November 2022

The Committee presented their 5 project ideas at the PAC meeting:



#5: Play Structure Replacement / Update

- a. KÉLSET is far down the list for a playground update within the district
- b. Schools are assessed based on accessibility, condition, etc. those children needing it

November 2022

It was noted in the minutes:

- a. Staff is very open to this idea and would love to participate in the conversation about where the need for improvement may lie
 - i. Two areas of thought may be the Nature Scape and the area which houses the current Spider Climber
- b. Any development outside of the current footprint would require an application due to it being on ALR land

January 2023

- Recognizing a need to get some new ideas and energy on the committee, the PAC invited participation from current KÉLSET families

Action: To form a committee with parents, teachers, and an EA to bring together all the ideas that have been presented and move forward with the project

Have you got a **PASSION** for **PLAY**?

Our PAC is hoping to make some improvements to our outdoor play spaces
We need a committee to tackle this project, and we need more members!



Do we need a Nature Playground in our naturescape,
or more accessible play options?

Should we build an outdoor classroom or add an embankment slide?

>> Seeking parent input on where to start <<

Grant writers, fundraisers and passionate
advocates for change needed

Email: kelsetpac@gmail.com to join the conversation and launch this committee!



**WANT A NEW PLAY
SPACE AT KELSET?**

JOIN US

TUESDAY JAN 24

ROOM 55 (DOOR BETWEEN OFFICE & SCHOOL GYM)

6:30pm

**SHARE IDEAS AND HAVE YOUR SAY ON WHAT
DIRECTION THIS PROJECT SHOULD TAKE!**

EVERYONE WELCOME

We set a date, and had our first meeting!

A number of new faces came out, including Bianca Bodley, a Landscape Designer, who stepped up to chair the committee

Early meetings focussed on narrowing down our ideas and figuring out how to deal with challenges such as our Agricultural Land Reserve Designation, drainage issues and getting approval from the District of North Saanich and SD63.

February 2023

- Phil Molloy from the Keating PAC came to chat with the committee about his experience getting a new playground for their school.
- Committee included 7 parents, the school principal and a teacher representative
- Over time it was decided to focus our efforts on improving the Naturescape for the following reasons:

WHY THE NATURESCAPE?

- School staff felt this area needed the attention the most
- Drainage issues were leaving the area unusable for parts of the year
- The existing playground was still functional with lots of life left
- Adding a new playground would require some challenging hoop jumping to get approval from the District and exemptions from the ALR.
 - We were limited to the areas indicated on the original site plan.
 - As per the original agreement with the ALR, the playground square footage could not be increased or a new area added without seeking exemptions.
- The Naturescape was already designated as such on the official school plan. Work to improve this space would be within the realm of possibility!

WHY THE NATURESCAPE?



Photos depicting current situation. The existing area is closed to students in rainy days due to poor drainage.



Re-shaping the land into an usable and accessible space with storm-water management infrastructure such as vegetated bio-swale that will collect water runoff to avoid drainage issues.

WHY THE NATURESCAPE?



Lack of play opportunities in nature.



Though the use of natural elements such as boulders, logs and interactive surfaces and climbing structures, the new playscape will promote free and risky play in a inclusive and accessible natural environment.



May 2023 - Bianca provided update to PAC

After 4 months of developing the project, Bianca provided the PAC with an update:

- Decision to focus on the Naturescape area
- Intention to make this a properly engineered rain garden
- Try to make it feel like a natural area, but incorporate a new sandbox, boulders, spinners and cedar log climbers.
- Plan includes native plantings & interpretive signage with input from local First Nations about traditional & medicinal plant uses & their SENCOTEN names.
- More pathways to address access issues along slippery slope.
- Intention to make the space more accessible
- Adam & Bianca were tasked with creating a cost estimate for this vision

May 2023 - Bianca provided update to PAC

Guest Speaker - Bianca Bodley

1. Play Spaces & Outdoor Enrichment Committee

a. Update on Progress to date

- has done some drawings for the committee
- started with nature scape area
- was intended to be more of a natural garden than it currently is
- plan is to make a properly engineered rain garden in back area of the nature scape, like a dry creek bed also incorporate some potable water elements, all indigenous plants
- would add some paths and info signs about garden, school's core values etc
- try to make it feel like a very natural area to respect zoning
- would include a new sandbox, some boulders, some spinners
- wants to reach out to greater school community for feedback
- wants to work with indigenous community to provide some meaning and context
- more paths to the playground area to try to stop some of the deterioration of the grass hill
- would put little gardens at top to avoid people going on the hill
- create another entrance to right of the current sandbox to get

ACTION: Bianca & Adam to work out an estimate for the proposed cost of the nature scape plan described.

A person's hands are holding a small, square chalkboard with a light-colored wooden frame. The chalkboard is green and has the words "summer break!" written on it in white, cursive chalk. The background shows a sandy beach, the blue ocean with white waves, and a clear blue sky.

summer
break!

LAST YEAR - FALL 2023

- Behind the scenes, the Play Spaces team were working to get a Civil Engineer to weigh in on the drainage on the field.
- Tassie provided us with a Greening Document to complete to request official approval from SD63 to proceed with the plan
- Bianca & Adam continued to work to develop a cost-estimate for the project to present to the PAC and to use to support our Grant Applications
- Bianca donated her time and that of her landscape design company, Biophilia, to create professional and detailed drawings of the proposed Naturescape enhancements to apply for approval of the project by the school district & municipality and allow for accurate take offs for costing.

RAIN GARDEN
 ACCESS TO RAINGARDEN
 PLANT SIGNAGE
 MULCH PLAYGROUND
 LOG STRUCTURE
 PRODUCTIVE RAISED GARDEN BEDS



LEGEND

-  MULCH
-  RAIN GARDEN
-  GARD
-  GARDEN



PLAY BOULDER

SPINNERS

LOG PLAY STRUCTURE

February 2024

Bianca presented again at the February 14th PAC Meeting

- The project cost estimate she and Adam had been working on was shared
- The PAC attendees were invited to provide feedback and ask questions
- Bianca was tasked with pushing forward with the planning and fundraising for the KÉLSET Naturescape Project, as described

NEW BUSINESS		
<p>Play Spaces Bianca Bodley</p>	<p>Play Spaces Committee Update - Bianca Bodley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The overall concept is to improve play spaces and access to them and various parts of the grounds via paths ● There will be signs placed throughout that highlight the six KÉLSET values ● Bianca has met with the Facilities manager about the need for accessible pathways to connect all areas ● The plan is to put a locking gate next to the spider climber. To facilitate this, the sandbox will be moved and new asphalt will be laid. This is a Facilities project that the PAC will not have to fund. ● Work will be done collaboratively with local First Nations to provide traditional stories and information about the indigenous garden. This will be a great opportunity for art, curiosity and learning ● All plants planted will be native to the area. ● There will be natural log play structure, natural boulders, some spinners ● We are hoping to start installation in the summer and have a temporary irrigation system in place for the two summer establishment periods, but this needs to get approval ● \$128,000 is the total estimated cost <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Next steps: Fundraising ○ We need to look for large grants, i.e. the one from Co-op (needs to be in by the end of month) 	<p>ACTION: Provide grant information to Tracy Chupick to see if she is able to assist us.</p> <p>ACTION: Reach out to Habitat to determine if they have grant writers on staff that we can utilize.</p> <p>ACTION: Bianca to push forward with planning and fundraising on KÉLSET Naturescape Playground as described.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ and matching grants, but we need someone to do this ○ An idea is to invite parents for an education session, and then ask for donations from them or their businesses ○ We can give tax receipts via the school board 	

Spring 2024

The team met once again with Rob Lumb from SD63 Facilities to complete the Greening Document and succeeded in obtaining SD63 approval

Rob reached out to Jason Reid to obtain the original KÉLSET Agricultural Land Commission exemptions. He warned us we would likely need to spend 12+ months to obtain approval to build “structures” on the land and that there would be costs involved.

Bianca & Rob met with the District of North Saanich to review the plan and determine what was needed with regards to Agricultural Land designation

In April 2024 we received an email from Tyler Erickson, Planner for North Saanich stating ***“the works can proceed as proposed without having the requirement of obtaining permits from the District.”***

We had cut through the red tape!



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YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

NATURESCAPE

IMPROVEMENT LAUNCH

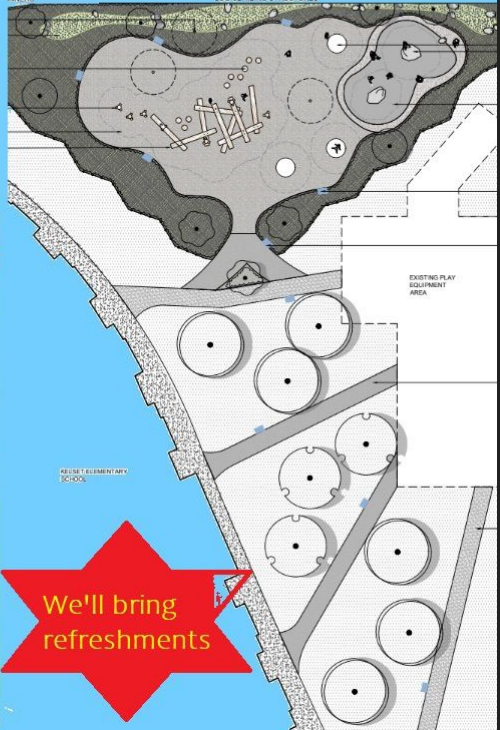
THURSDAY

MAY 16

AFTER SCHOOL
KELSET NATURESCAPE
ADJACENT TO THE PLAYGROUND

COME CHAT WITH OUR COMMITTEE
AND LEARN ABOUT PLANS TO
IMPROVE THE SPACE

The poster features a vibrant, colorful illustration of a nature scene with a sun, trees, a bird, a squirrel, and various outdoor elements like a slide and a tree stump.



We'll bring refreshments

We celebrated with an official launch to our NatureScape Improvement Project on May 16, 2024.

We invited students and their families to check out the space, review the plans and ask any questions



FUNDRAISING

With approval from KÉLSET Administration, School District 63 and the Municipality of North Saanich / Agricultural Land Commission, it was time to start fundraising!



GRANTS

Bianca had already started work on the Co-op Community Spaces Grant in February 2024 (on the recommendation of Kim Say), seeking \$150,000 in support for the project

To support this application, Bianca and Adam created a cost estimate based on a quote from an experienced landscape contractor for the landscaping portion and and Habitat Systems costing for the play structures.



LANDSCAPE WORKS

D Byrne Construction & Excavating
estimated the cost to:

\$47,711

- Strip lawn
- Add soil
- Add play boulders
- Install irrigation
- Grade planting beds, play surfaces
& vegetated bioswale

*NOTE: engineered wood fibre was quoted as an
additional \$13,000 but this was already captured in
Habitat's quote*



PLAY STRUCTURES & ENGINEERED WOOD FIBRE

Adam provided a quote from Habitat:

- Yellow Cedar Klondike Climber
- Yellow Cedar Hornby Climber
- Curva Spinner & Chill Spinner
- Engineered Wood Fibre
- Supply, installation, freight & delivery

\$91,187.25



512 Layout

PLAY STRUCTURES & ENGINEERED WOOD FIBRE



Pricing SUPPLY & INSTALL

Supply and Delivery of Landscape Structures Curva Spinner	\$4,764.00	
Supply and Delivery of Landscape Structures Chill Spinner	\$4,420.00	
Supply of Habitat Natural Play - Yellow Cedar Klondike climber 5-12	\$20,389.00	
Supply of Habitat Natural Play - Yellow Cedar Hornby climber 5-12	\$9,100.00	
Freight and Delivery (Logistics)	\$1,000.00	
Installation of NP and Landscape Structures equipment by Habitat.	\$11,180.00	
Supply and Delivery of 413 Cubic Yards of Engineered Wood fibre (11,000 sq ft @ 9")	\$26,533.00	
Installation of EWF	\$9,459.00	
	Subtotal	\$86,845.00
	GST @ 5%	\$4,342.25
	Total	\$91,187.25

PLANTING (Trees, Shrubs, Perennials, Grasses)

Novus wholesale quoted the plants and trees

\$9,424.14

- 417 plants and 18 trees.



PLANTING

(Trees, Shrubs,
Perennials, Grasses)

Qty	Description	Size	Price	Extended
3	Acer circinatum - Multi	15gal	\$125.04	\$375.12
	<i>2m height</i>			
6	Acer rub. 'October Glory'	B&B 6cm	\$350.00	\$2,100.00
3	Amelanchier alnifolia	15gal	\$100.00	\$300.00
	<i>SUBSIZE for 4cm</i>			
19	Carex lyngbyei	1gal	\$8.50	\$161.50
3	Cornus 'Eddie's White Wonder'	B&B 4cm	\$195.00	\$585.00
9	Cornus sericea	2gal	\$12.50	\$112.50
132	Deschampsia caespitosa	1gal	\$8.00	\$1,056.00
61	Gaultheria shallon	2gal	\$13.25	\$808.25
3	Holodiscus discolor	7gal	\$55.00	\$165.00
43	Juncus effusus	1gal	\$8.00	\$344.00
21	Mahonia nervosa	2gal	\$24.50	\$514.50
3	Myrica californica	3gal	\$27.50	\$82.50
9	Oemleria cerasiformis	5gal	\$24.50	\$220.50
8	Physocarpus capitatus	3gal	\$23.25	\$186.00
3	Pistacia chinensis	7gal	\$125.00	\$375.00
	<i>SUBSIZE for 6cm</i>			
6	Rosa nutkana	3gal	\$22.50	\$135.00
8	Salix scouleriana	2gal	\$13.25	\$106.00
12	Sambucus racemosa	3gal	\$24.50	\$294.00
14	Spiraea douglasii	3gal	\$22.50	\$315.00
51	Vaccinium ovatum	2gal	\$14.50	\$739.50
			Total:	\$8,975.37

Quoted Subtotal \$8,975.37

Quoted Delivery \$0.00

GST \$448.77

PST \$0.00

Total \$9,424.14

Quoted price is in effect until **23-Aug-24**

CONCEPT DESIGN

As a landscape designer that designs and manages the building of playground projects, Bianca quoted \$5,000 as what she would have charged for the work designing this space and creating drawings.

This work was done and continues to be pro bono by Bianca & her staff but we wanted to capture the true cost in our grant applications as it shows a level of detail and professionalism that will help with applications.



We were told by SD63 Facilities contact Rob Lumb that these professional renderings are a big part of the reason our project was approved so quickly

INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE

Garside Signs & Displays provided this estimate (summer 2024):

- 10 metal signs at \$2,185 each
- This number we feel is too expensive and as such we are changing the design spec to something more simple and cost effective (such as image).
- We are estimating \$400 at this time and are continuing to obtain additional quotes.

\$21,850



INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE

X10 – Interpretative Signage printed single sided. Per Panel cost would be \$2,185

Approx. size = 1500mm high x 500mm wide

Material = 9mm thick Metal with 30 degree bend along top with UV Printed graphics

Mounting Method = TBD.

Installation = Approx. \$185 per panel – this will depend on the installation method. We can mount to existing structures/concrete bases.

Again, not having exact measurements, this price may vary however it should be close per supplied panel. Would need to discuss final installation method as this may affect the per panel price.

Thank you again for the opportunity to quote on this project. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at your convenience. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Marty Mizel

INITIAL COST ESTIMATE

KELSET NATURE-SCAPE PLAYGROUND - COST ESTIMATE

	Unit	Cost	Qty	Total	
Supply and installation of strip lawn, soil, play boulders and irrigation. Also, grading of planting beds, play surfaces and the vegetated bio-swale. (Refer to D Byrne Construction & Excavating Ltd's quote).	ea	\$ 47,711.00	1	\$ 47,711.00	Landscape Works
(2) Landscape Structures Spinners, (1) Habitat Natural Play - Yellow Cedar Klondike climber, (1) Habitat Natural Play (Yellow Cedar Hornby Climber and Engineered Wood Fiber. (Including supply, installation, freight and delivery). (Refer to Habitat Systems's quote).	ea	\$91,187.25	1	\$ 91,187.25	Play Structures + Engineered Wood Fiber
(18) Trees and (399) Shrubs, perennials, grasses and groundcovers. (Refer to Novus's quote).	ea	\$ 9,424.14	1	\$ 9,424.14	Planting (Trees, Shrubs, Perennials, Grasses and Groundcovers)
Concept, Detailed Design and Construction Services	ea	\$ 5,000.00	1	\$ 5,000.00	Landscape Design Services - Biophilia Collective
Interpretative Signage + Co-op Recognition Plaque (Refer to Garside Signs & Displays's quote).	ea	\$2,185	10	\$ 21,850.00	Landscape Design Services - Biophilia Collective
TOTAL				\$ 175,172.39	Kelset Nature-scape Playground

COST ESTIMATE

- Numbers provided were a simply a baseline so we could make an estimate about total project cost to be used in grant applications and to inform the PAC of fundraising goals.
- Depending on our fundraising success, we have the ability to modify the project design elements to suit the budget achieved so as to move forward as soon as possible.
 - Elements could be removed or added to suit the budget while keeping the design intent.

COST ESTIMATE

- We hope to get donations (in-kind, services or monetary) from local KÉLSET family businesses with an interest in seeing the project succeed.
- We have reached out to 23 and counting local businesses to request donations (table to follow).
- Considering many variables and not knowing when construction would start, the **total project cost was estimated to be between \$128,000 and \$180,000**

COST ESTIMATE: \$128,000 to \$180,000

- These numbers were never intended to be the fixed end cost of the project, but rather a estimate based on current rates in order to begin our fundraising with a goal in mind.
- Depending on when build begins it is likely these prices will fluctuate or we may have secured in kind donations or service donations and need to adjust request for tender scope.
- In December 2024 the budget was revised with updated quotes taking recent feedback into consideration.

COST ESTIMATE: \$128,000 to \$180,000

- The updated cost estimate shows:
 - \$92,111.60 in Landscape Works (Inc Engineered Wood Fibre and discounted services & materials now offered by Michell's Excavating after our call for help)
 - \$54,377.40 in Play Structures (vs \$91,187.25 from before)
 - \$9,424.14 in Planting (as before)
 - \$4,000 for Signage (updated design / cost)
 - \$0 for Landscape Design Services
(with \$5,250 worth of work donated by Bianca as of October 2024 and on going)

CURRENT ESTIMATE: \$159,913.14

December 2024 Cost Estimate

KELSET NATURE-SCAPE PLAYGROUND - COST ESTIMATE - Dec 5 - To be confirmed with Official Bid Process in Spring of 2025

	Cost	Qty	Total	Sub Project
Strip lawn and dispose of green waste.	4,200.00	1	4,200.00	
Re-grade all garden areas and shape rain garden	1,920.00	1	1,920.00	
Install only 18 trees including tree pits, soil & stakes	4,500.00	1	4,500.00	
Deliver & install of plants only	4,000.00	1	4,000.00	
Supply and install 12 yards of rain garden soil	2,800.00	1	2,800.00	
Supply and install of garden delux blend	9,000.00	1	9,000.00	
New entry paths build from school to the playground. PT wood edging and gravel infill.	7,000.00	1	7,000.00	
Supply and install play boulders (approx. 5' in size)	2,000.00	1	2,000.00	
Sand pit (Includes supply & Install of 12" of play sand)	3,000.00	1	3,000.00	
Supply & Install deluxe mulch for garden bed	2,000.00	1	2,000.00	
Small tools, crew truck and project management	3,000.00	1	3,000.00	
Irrigation repair budget	2,500.00	1	2,500.00	
Mobe ex 53 and skid steer in and out	900.00	1	900.00	
Engineered wood Fiber for playground at 9"	37,791.60	1	37,791.60	
Concrete seating wall 18" tall and 1.5 to 4' wide as per design	7,500.00	1	7,500.00	
sub total:			92,111.60	Landscape Works
HABITAT Playground Quote: Yellow Cedar Hornby Climber and 3 Spinners. Including supply, installation, freight and delivery. (Refer to quote from Habitat Systems).	54,377.40	1	54,377.40	Play Structures
Trees and Shrubs: (18) Trees and (399) Shrubs, perennials, grasses and groundcovers. (Refer to quote from Novus Plants).	9,424.14	1	9,424.14	Planting (Trees, Shrubs, Perennials, Grasses and Groundcovers)
Concept, Detailed Design (provided by Biophilia design collective ltd).	5,250.00	1		Landscape Design Services
Metal Interpretative Signage for Native Plants and for the KELSET Core Values located at entry paths.	400.00	10	4,000.00	Signage
			TOTAL \$159,913.14	Kelset Nature-scape Playground

DONATIONS

Bianca has also been hard at work soliciting financial & in-kind donations

Services:
Trucking
Machine time
Landscape installation

Michell Excavating volunteered to donate trucking time for their materials

Materials List:	Quantity:
Smooth Boulders (approx size - 5')	2 boulders
Rain garden boulders (approximate)	18 boulders
Mulch	55 yards
Soil	110 yards
Road base for pathways	For all pathways - 28 yards (213 linear feet, 7 feet wide - total 1,491 sq.ft)
Road base for under CIP seating wall	~8 yards
Playground sand	35 yards
Engineered wood fiber or playground grade woodchips	155 yards
Plants and trees	See planting schedule for play area only
Tree stakes and ties	36 stakes, 36 ties
Metal Tree Gaurds	9 tree trunk protectors in garden and 9 in the field between the paths
Temp irrigation set up for summer	Above ground pipe with upstand and rotors - approximately 180 degree heads and in-ground timer
Concrete Seat Wall	37 sq. m. - 140 linear ft, minimum width 1.5 ft, maximum width 4.5 ft.

DONATIONS

Material	Company	Email	Phone	Message Sent	Response
Smooth Boulders for play	Mitchell excavating	info@michelleexcavating.ca	250.652.1640	X	Yes, see email PDF for details.
Smooth Boulders for play	Peninsula Landscape Supply	peninsulalandscape-supplies@shaw.ca	250.656.6719	X	
Smooth Boulders for play	Macnutt Ltd	info@macnuttltld.ca		X	
Garden Mulch	Michell excavating	info@michelleexcavating.ca	250.652.1640	X	Yes, see email PDF for details.
Garden Mulch	Peninsula Landscape Supply	peninsulalandscape-supplies@shaw.ca	250.656.6719	X	
Garden Mulch	Macnutt Ltd	info@macnuttltld.ca		X	
Garden Soil	Michell excavating	info@michelleexcavating.ca	250.652.1640	X	Yes, see email PDF for details.
Garden Soil	Peninsula Landscape Supply	peninsulalandscape-supplies@shaw.ca	250.656.6719	X	
Garden Soil	Farm To Garden Organics	info@farmtogarden.ca	778.426.4626	Anna will message if we don't hear from other suppliers	
Garden Soil	Macnutt Ltd	info@macnuttltld.ca		X	
Play Sand	Michell excavating	info@michelleexcavating.ca	250.652.1640	X	Yes, see email PDF for details.
Play Sand	Peninsula Landscape Supply	peninsulalandscape-supplies@shaw.ca	250.656.6719	X	
Engineered fiber for playground	Michell excavating	mailto:info@michelleexcavating.ca	250.652.1640	X	Yes, see email PDF for details.
Plants + Trees	Novus	office@novusplants.com	250.655.8876	X	
Plants + Trees	Islandview	sales@islandviewnursery.net	250.544.4802	X	Willing to give us a \$750 discount on plant total
Tree Stakes and Ties	Integrity Sales	sales@isad.ca	250.544.2072	X	
Tree Stakes and Ties	SLEGG (Sidney)	sales@slegq.com	250.656.1125	X	
Tree Stakes and Ties	SLEGG (Keating)	sales@slegq.com	250.652.1130	X	
Temp irrigation set up for summer	Westech	https://irrigation.ca/pages/contact-us?srsltid=	250.361.1573	X	

Many local businesses have been approached. Most recently Michell Excavating reached out to offer us special pricing as they have 5 grandkids at KÉLSET

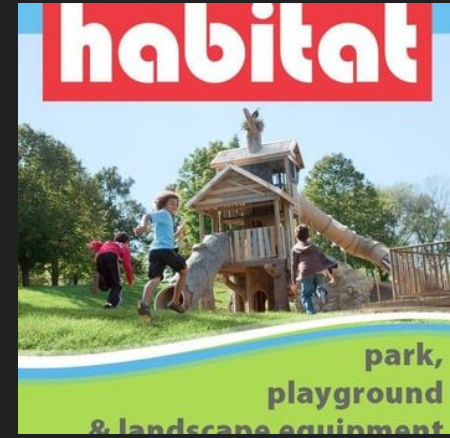
GRANTS - Habitat & Grant Writers

In February 2024, Marie Fish suggested we explore making use of the Grant Writers offered by Habitat (Adam's company)

Adam reached out to his employer and got approval to make use of the service. We have not made a formal agreement to work with Habitat at this point, but Habitat is incurring a cost for our use of this service.

The first grant they worked on on our behalf was the GVSCU grant through VanCity. This application was submitted in early September 2024.

In November 2024 we learned we had been successful in obtaining the grant of **\$9,500 towards our project!**



GRANTS

Habitat's Grant Writers continue to support us. The next applications are:

- TD Friends of the Environment Grant for \$8,000, January 2025
- Team Canada Olympic Day Grant for up to \$10,000, January 2025

We are working on more grants independently as well:

- Tree Canada Grant for up to \$10,000 applied for by Kathryn Verlinden
- 2025 IEOA Project application by Bianca in Nov 2024
- Co-op Community Spaces Grant for \$150,000 applied for by Bianca in the Spring of 2024 - not successful that year, but we can try again!
- And we have a list of possible grants we are constantly updating...

GRANTS

Foundation	Grant name	Application Deadline	Amount	Requirements / More info	Chance of success	Applied y/n
Tree Canada	Greening Canada's School Grounds Grant	Dec 9, 2024	up to \$10,000	more info	4	Kathryn to apply
North Saanich Municipality	North Saanich Grant in Aid	Dec 13, 2024	up to \$10,000	more info	4	Kathryn (or Heather?) to apply
TD Friends of the Environment	TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Grant	Jan 15, 2025	\$2,000-\$8,000	more info	4	Monika started. Grant Writers to finish.
Saanich Peninsula Community Foundation	Saanich Peninsula Community Foundation Grant	Feb 28, 2025	\$1,000-\$5,000	more info	4	
Thrifty Foods	Community Action Fund	ongoing	-	more info	4	
Green Cities Foundation	Green My City Grant	ongoing	-	more info	4	
Vancity Community Foundation	Greater Victoria Saving & Credit Union Legacy Fund	Sept 30, 2024	\$9,500	more info	3	Yes
Victoria Foundation	Community Grants Program	Oct 3, 2024		more info	3	
BC Government	Community Gaming Grant	depends on sector		more info	3	
Co-op	Community Spaces Program	Feb 1 - Mar 1	\$25,000-\$150,000	more info	3	Yes (2024)
SPARC	Local Community Accessibility Grant Program	ongoing	-	more info	3	
Island Coastal Economic Trust (ICET)	Community Placemaking Program	ongoing	-	link to requirements	2	
The Epicure Foundation	n/a	ongoing	-	more info	2	
FortisBC	Community Investment Program	ongoing	-	Link to requirements	1	

BID PROCESS / PROCUREMENT

- Costing and obtaining donation are ongoing
- No decisions or commitments have been made on contractors or vendors that will be used.
- Many factors will influence which contractors are chosen - this will be a fair and unbiased process.
- These process will be on going and will happen as we make progress with the project (grants / donations etc).

Countless hours
have been invested
in the project so far



We are optimistic that with hard work
we can reach our fundraising goals
and have the enhanced Naturescape
completed this summer, or next!



NATURAL PLAY BOULDERS



SPINNERS



LOG CLIMBING STRUCTURES

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PLANTED BIO-SWALE



SUNKEN SAND AREA



OUTDOOR LEARNING SPACES