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Mayor Joan Atkinson
1 Mackenzie Blvd
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Re: Funding request

Mayor Joan Atkinson and Esteemed Council Members,

I am writing to bring forth a funding request on behalf of the Mackenzie Public Library Board. After careful consideration and evaluation of our operational needs, we are requesting an additional \$8,43.92 in funding from the District of Mackenzie in 2025.

This additional funding will accommodate a modest but necessary wage increase of 3.5% for our CUPE staff members, along with associated benefits and pension adjustments. Ensuring fair compensation for our employees is paramount to maintaining morale and productivity within our Municipal Library.

Additionally, this funding will assist in covering the increased cost of the annual audit, which was awarded to KPMG at the December 9th, 2024 Council meeting, as well as the increased cost of natural gas.

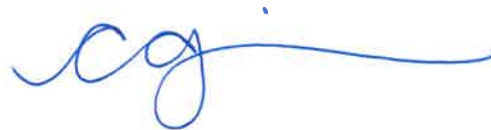
I am pleased to inform you that the Library will cover the increased cost of services and supplies, and services with the Library's surplus, in the amount of \$7,173.38. This surplus allocation will alleviate any additional strain on the municipal budget while ensuring continued access to essential resources for our community members. As well, we would like to inform you that the Mackenzie Public Library will be replacing the carpet throughout the Library in 2025, with enhancement grant funds from the Province of British Columbia.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we look forward to your consideration.

Sincerely,



Alice Pritchett
Library Director



Camille Ginnever
Chair, Mackenzie Public Library