

Activity Lending Library

Summer Leisure Edition – Guidelines 2025

Please read this document before filling out the application to ensure you are adhering to the guidelines in place

Purpose:

The Activity Lending Library focuses on leisure, recreation, and outdoor family activity items. The goal of the Activity Lending Library is to allow residents to try a new recreation activity or practice an old favourite.

It will also:

- 1. Connect families and residents with nature.
- 2. Make recreation more accessible for everyone.
- 3. Keep families active and entertained during the prairie summer months.
- 4. Build community in your neighbourhood.

Eligibility:

- 1) Those eligible to apply include:
 - Municipalities
 - First Nation Communities
 - Libraries
 - Regional Parks
 - Welcome Centres and Tourism Centres
- 2) Eligible organizations must exist within the Parkland Valley District boundaries.
- 3) Daycares, schools, Tribal Councils, and clubs are ineligible.
- 4) Kits and items **MUST** remain the property of the applicant and **MUST** be clearly marked.
- 5) The kits/items **MUST** be made available to everyone.
- 6) Those applying **MUST** have amenities/facilities to use the kits/items.
- 7) Applicants MUST have space to store kits/items.
- 8) Applicants MUST track items and who is checking them out. (See Sample Sign Out Sheet)

Application Process:

- 1. Applications must be submitted by midnight on the deadline date and will only be accepted electronically. Late applications will not be accepted.
- 2. Applicants will know the result of their application within two weeks following the deadline
- 3. Items will be delivered to applicants within three weeks following the deadline date.
- All applications will be reviewed internally. Decisions will be based on set criteria for: amenities/facilities available, community need, and Activity Lending Library dollars available.
- 5. All decisions made regarding the Activity Lending Library are final.







Examples of eligible items include:

- Outdoor games (ex. Bocce, ring toss, etc)
- Bug catching equipment
- Sport Equipment (ex. Soccer balls, basketballs, etc)
- Beach/Sand Toys
- Tents
- Gardening Kit
- Binoculars
- Walking/hiking poles

Examples of ineligible items include:

- Food and food supplies.
- Liquor or liquor related expenses.
- Expendable equipment such as fireworks.
- Capital expenditures.
- Costumes.
- Individualized items (ex. Lifejackets, bike helmets or bikes, baseball gloves)
- Inflatable pools and flotation devices, sprinklers, bouncy houses, and slip n' slides.

Follow-Up Obligations & Requirements:

- 1. Successful applicants will be required to submit a follow-up report by September 5, 2025. Follow-up forms will be forwarded to successful applicants.
- 2. Recognize your funder through social media, on tracking sheets, posters, websites, etc. (Logos, example tracking sheets, and a write-up about the Activity Lending Library will be provided to successful applicants).
- 3. Please send pictures of your kits, items, and users of the Activity Lending Library with the follow-up report.

Please contact Darla Batke at (306) 786-6585 or dbatke@parklandvalley.ca for questions about this application.





