LRC EXPANSION PROJECT

BGC Leduc City of Leduc Council August 22nd, 2022

PURPOSE OF EXPANSION

- Increase capacity in 5-12 years afterschool and summer care programs
- Expand service area to better encompass entire City of Leduc
- Enhance current programming to include more hands-on, life and work based skills
- Provide permanent, designated "youth centre" space targeting 12 to 18 years
- Provide affordable, accessible space to be utilised by the broader community

ADVANTAGES OF LRC LOCATION

- Maintain access to recreation facilities (without need for additional transportation)
- Maintain access to trails and green space
- Allow Club operations and administration within a single facility
- Alignment with the LRC as a "youth focused facility"
- Public transportation route (as system expands)

BUILDING SPECIFICATIONS

3000 square feet of additional space (in addition to our current lease space)

Space will include:

- Learning Kitchen (commercial appliances, workstations, dry goods storage)
- Open concept gymnasium/multi-purpose space
- Technology classroom
- Storage

FUNDING

- Combination of significant capital investment plus lease payments (ratio to be determined)
- Long-term lease agreement
- Funds in reserve with an ability to begin as soon as possible
- Launch of a capital campaign supplemented by grant applications and sponsorship agreements

COMMUNITY OPERATIONS

- BGC Leduc would maintain (reasonable) autonomy over usage and operations
- Goal to maximize userships so space doesn't "sit empty"
- Community groups have been approached and are interested in usership/partnership with BGC Leduc
- Emphasis on access for charity and not for profit groups
- Focus on children, youth and family services and activities

ADVANTAGES

- Creation of a permanent asset without having to cover the entire cost independently (BGC lease contribution and capital investment)
- Fill an identified gap in permanent, designated youth/space programming (as also prioritised by Youth Council). Service driven.
- Access to funding as a registered charity beyond the reach of a municipality
- Support the vision of the LRC as a youth oriented, youth serving space

OUR COMMITMENT

- Close consultation and collaboration with the City of Leduc
- Formalizing a partnership that balance the needs of the Community, City and Club
- Cost sharing and financial contribution
- Multi-purpose, community space and full utilization
- Utilise and support public transportation

QUESTIONS