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Ground Search and Rescue – Program Application

### Application Certification

I certify that the information contained in this application form is correct, that all Ground Search and Rescue funds will be used in accordance with the Ground Search and Rescue Program Guidelines and that the allocated grant amount will be applied in the year(s) and manner described above once this application form has been accepted by the Minister.

B. [Signature] 2018-09-27  
Signature Date

Search and Rescue Group President

[Signature] 29/09/2018  
Signature Date

Search and Rescue Group Treasurer

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Signature Date

Office of the Fire Commissioner  
Search and Rescue Liaison Officer

Functional category of the project (Office use only)	% of Total Project Costs
Government –wide objective 4: To support capacity building within municipalities	
Volunteer Development	
TOTAL	100%



## Legal Statements

The personal information being collected on this form will be used to administer the Ground Search and Rescue Program. The information is being collected under the authority of section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* and will be managed in accordance with the privacy provisions in the FOIP Act. If you have any questions concerning the collection of this information, please contact:

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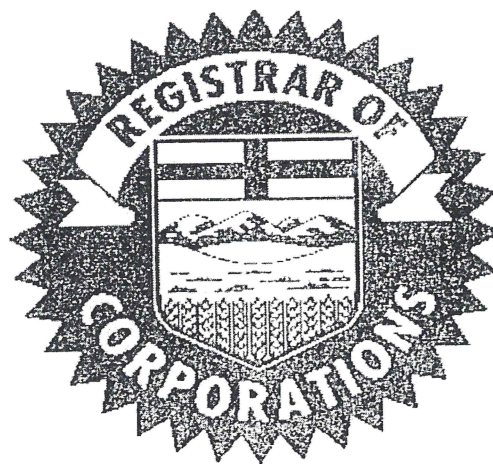
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SOCIETIES ACT

**CERTIFICATE  
OF  
INCORPORATION**

**PINCHER CREEK SEARCH AND RESCUE SOCIETY  
WAS INCORPORATED IN ALBERTA ON 2002/01/22.**



September 28, 2018

RE: Regional Support for 2018-2019 Ground Search and Rescue Program

Grant Selection Committee,  
Office of the Fire Commissioner

Dear Committee Members,

On behalf of the SAR Alberta South Region Representatives, I support the 2018-19 Ground Search and Rescue Program Grant Application submitted by Pincher Creek Search and Rescue Society. The area that this team responds within has expanded exponentially in complexity with the creation of a new provincial park. The courses that they are applying for strongly support this team's commitment to provide skilled and knowledgeable responding members. Pincher Creek Search and Rescue Society is fundamental in creating a strong and highly trained group of individuals that contribute to the great success of our search responsibilities in the Southern Alberta Region.

Pincher Creek Search and Rescue Society is committed to lending mutual aid and support, which helps maintains the strong team partnerships in the South Region.

Sincerely,

Stacey Pasutto  
South Region Director





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Re: Letter of Support

Dear Grant Selection Committee, Office of the Fire Commissioner;

I am writing you to express the support of South Eastern Alberta Search and Rescue Association in favor of Pincher Creek Search and Rescue Association and their 2018/2019 Training Grant Application.

Our organizations have teamed up on numerous occasions over the past number of years both for operational searches and training exercises and opportunities. On large incidents we are strategic partners and turn to each other when back up is required. Because we rely on each other to be there when mutual aid support is required Pincher Creek Search & Rescue's application for training grants also benefits SEASAR and our neighboring communities and therefore we strongly support their application.

Sincerely,

Paul Carolan, President  
South Eastern Alberta Search and Rescue









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September 28, 2018

Grant Selection Committee

Office of the Fire Commissioner

Please find enclosed Pincher Creek Search and Rescue Society's (PCSAR) grant application under the 2018/2019 Ground Search and Rescue Program. Also attached is a copy of PCSAR's certificate of incorporation, and letters of support from neighbouring SAR groups.

As requested in the grant guidelines, below we provide a substantiation of the rationale for the courses required.

#### Background

PCSAR is a volunteer search and rescue group with 15 members. PCSAR has responded to over 210 incidents in its 23 year history. It serves the southwest corner of Alberta, but has responded in mutual aid as far away as Red Deer. Its core response area includes large ranching and farming, small towns, First Nations territory, and heavily used mountainous recreational areas with travel routes into British Columbia and a national park. The Castle Provincial Parks are central to our response area.

#### Partnerships

PCSAR works closely with nearby organizations, such as Lethbridge Area Search and Rescue, Crowsnest Pass Search and Rescue, Waterton Lakes National Park, Canadian Search Dog Association (Lethbridge chapter), and South Eastern Alberta Search and Rescue (Medicine Hat). Neighbouring SAR groups frequently participate in PCSAR hosted training. All provincially funded courses are advertised across Alberta. We



often get participants from far afield, even the other end of the province – such as Peace River SAR (990km) or Fort McMurray SAR (950km). PCSAR also works closely with groups in British Columbia (Sparwood, Fernie).

PCSAR partners with the local fire department (Pincher Creek Emergency Services), Provincial Parks and municipal emergency management organizations. PCSAR is regularly called upon to help in major emergencies and disasters.

Together, Shell Canada and PCSAR has developed a novel industry-leading protocol and supporting training program and exercises to use SAR workers on H<sub>2</sub>S release incidents.

### Priorities

To aid the committee in its selection, we have marked the courses we are applying for, with their priority preference as evaluated by PCSAR. Funding for lower numbered courses are seen as more critical by PCSAR.

### SAR Search Course

(priority #1)

PCSAR regularly runs a Search and Rescue Basics course to bring in new members and maintain the vitality of the organization. Students additionally come from Lethbridge SAR and the Lethbridge chapter of the Canadian Search Dog Association. Instructors are shared between the groups. Another strong participant is the Blood First Nations Reserve which is trying to form a SAR organization.

Training materials and lessons plans are continually being enhanced and are shared with other SAR groups at <http://tinyurl.com/ajwuzvy>

### Man-tracking

(priority #2)

Man-tracking is a highly useful skill in classic areas of search and rescue. We hope through this course to enhance our core competencies in tracking.

## Maryjoy Chan

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**From:** Fire Comm  
**Sent:** Monday, October 01, 2018 9:03 AM  
**To:** Maryjoy Chan  
**Subject:** FW: Ground Search and Rescue Program Application

Another confirmation and cc to us

**From:** Training SAR Alberta [mailto:training@saralberta.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 30, 2018 9:05 PM  
**To:** Doug Turner  
**Cc:** Mike Cook; Sundre Search and Rescue Roger Tetreault; Fire Comm  
**Subject:** Re: Ground Search and Rescue Program Application

Good evening Doug,

I can confirm I received your application and attachments.

Sincerely,

Paul Carolan

On Sun, Sep 30, 2018 at 8:59 PM Doug Turner <doug.turner@westfraser.com> wrote:

**To:** Grants Coordinator, Public Safety Division, Alberta Municipal Affairs

**Subject:** Ground Search and Rescue Program Application – Training Grants

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached an application package for the Ground Search and Rescue Program – Training Grant from Sundre Volunteer Search and Rescue (see attached file: GSAR\_2018-2019\_SVSAR\_GrantApplication\_20180930.pdf).

I have cc'd Mr. Mike Cook, SAR Liaison Officer with the Office of the Fire Commissioner, Mr. Roger Tetreault, as Treasurer of Sundre Volunteer Search and Rescue, and Mr. Paul Carolan, as Training Coordinator with Search and Rescue Alberta.



If there are any issues in transmission, please advise me at your earliest convenience, and I will endeavour to resend the application.

Regards

Doug Turner

Training Coordinator

Search Manager

Sundre Volunteer Search and Rescue

Deputy Director

Central Region

Search and Rescue Alberta

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## Maryjoy Chan

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**From:** Fire Comm  
**Sent:** Monday, October 01, 2018 9:00 AM  
**To:** Maryjoy Chan  
**Subject:** FW: Pincher SAR 2018-2019 GSAR Program grant application

This is just a cc on a grant application

**From:** Training SAR Alberta [mailto:training@saralberta.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 30, 2018 5:20 PM  
**To:** Brett Wuth  
**Cc:** Fire Comm  
**Subject:** Re: Pincher SAR 2018-2019 GSAR Program grant application

Good evening Brett,

As confirmation, I can confirm I have received the email and attachments

Sincerely,

Paul Carolan  
SAR Alberta

On Sun, Sep 30, 2018 at 3:51 PM Brett Wuth <[wuth@castrov.cuug.ab.ca](mailto:wuth@castrov.cuug.ab.ca)> wrote:

Good evening,

Please receive the attached grant application of Pincher Creek Search and Rescue under the 2018-2019 GSAR Program. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please let me know.

Could you confirm receipt of this message? For surety, and because the application deadline is on a weekend, I will transmit a second copy by fax.

Thank you,

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Brett Wuth, President, Pincher Creek Search and Rescue  
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