

# The FBCA needs financial help to cover \$15,000+ of an unexpected urgent repair to the Fanny Bay Community Hall.

## Current Situation:

We have a Pandora's box!

- In early October, work began on Phase 1 of the Floor Replacement Project.
- In the kitchen, preparation work discovered toxic black mould behind the old cooler/fridge, which had worked into the floor, sub-floor, and joists. Water intrusion and insect infestation are also evident.
- The repairs, air quality tests, and reconstruction costs are currently at \$15,000 and rising.
- The kitchen and dining room are closed while the work progresses, so the hall is unable to run at full rental capacity.
- There are not sufficient funds in our capital budget to complete both these repairs and Phase 1 of the project.

## Background:

In 2019 the FBCA approved replacement of the 90-year-old fir floor in the main hall, and the vinyl flooring in the entry hall, dining room, and kitchen. Local architect, Brad Shuya, very generously donated his services to be our project manager. A committee of Fanny Bay residents was formed to fundraise. Prior to COVID-19 restrictions, \$28,000 had been raised through donations and grants. When COVID hit, all planned fundraising events had to be cancelled or postponed, and eventually the hall had to close.

Once we were able to re-open for indoor activities, the Board decided to move ahead with Phase 1 of the project (estimated budget \$22,500). This phase replaces the flooring in the entry hallway, the dining room, and the kitchen. This work included the removal of the 2% asbestos tiles in the hallway by a company specializing in removing hazardous materials. This company has also removed the building materials affected by the black mould.

During the past 20 months of closure, we reduced our expenses as much as possible, successfully found grant funds, and gratefully received donations from local residents and businesses to keep basic operational bills paid. With the easing of COVID restrictions, there was light at the end of the tunnel! Facilitators and participants were ready to once again get back to pickleball, aerobics, yoga, children's activities, concerts, free movies, and much more . . . then the black mould and wood rot put another roadblock in our way.

## Moving forward:

Here we are again, asking for your financial support. Your donations will allow us to complete the repairs and continue with Phase 1.

We thank the Baynes Sound Garden Club for their donation of \$1000, and the community members who have already contributed to this urgent need.

Whether large or small, from individuals, families, clubs, or businesses, all amounts help!

Your donation can be made by:

- E-transfer to [treasurer@fannybaycommunity.com](mailto:treasurer@fannybaycommunity.com)
- Cheque made out to FBCA, and mailed to FBCA, 7793 Island Highway South, Fanny Bay, BC V0R1W0
- Cash dropped into the donation box in the entry hallway at the Hall

Donations of \$20 or more are eligible for a tax receipt.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Respectfully, the FBCA Board