

#### 2023 Annual Grants

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# **Report Summary**

This report provides information regarding the annual allocations of grants to a variety of community groups and organizations, approved by Council as part of the 2023 budget process. The 2023 grants will be released subject to Council's approval of the applicable by-law.

# Relationship to the Strategic Plan, Health Impact Assessment and Community Energy & Emissions Plan (CEEP)

This report refers to the goal: Create a Healthier Community as identified in the Strategic Plan, as it aligns with the Population Health Priorities of Play, Age Friendly Strategies, Compassionate City and Families. The information in this report has no relationship to the Community Energy & Emissions Plan.

# **Financial Implications**

Funds for the reported grants are included in the 2023 Leisure Services, Children & Social Services and Economic Development Council approved operating budgets.

# **Background**

The City of Greater Sudbury (City) has historically provided an annual grant to a variety of community groups and organizations. Funds are generally used by recipients towards operating costs and costs to deliver special events and programs. Most funds are budgeted in the Leisure Services Division operating budget with the exceptions of grants to the Anderson Farm Museum Heritage Society (Economic Development), the Northern Ontario Railroad Museum & Heritage Centre (Economic Development), and New Hope Outreach Services/Samaritan Centre (Children & Social Services). The disbursement of grants is authorized by City Council through the passing of a by-Law on an annual basis.

At the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of July 7, 2015, Council received a report entitled "Annual Grants Allocation Background". The report detailed grants provided to community groups and organizations for a ten-year period (2005 to 2015).

At the City Council meeting of March 8, 2016, resolution CC2016-99 was passed as follows:

WHEREAS various community groups receive an annual grant allocation from Leisure Services;

AND WHEREAS this grant allocation is based on historical practice, with many grant recipients pre-dating municipal amalgamation;

AND WHEREAS the value for money for said grants are not clearly understood;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in 2016, all recipients of Leisure Services Grants be informed that they will have to re-apply for their 2017 grant allocation;

AND THAT clear criteria and application process be developed and presented to Finance and Administration Committee in September 2016;

AND THAT each community group be required to reapply every five years on a go forward basis.

On November 15, 2016, the Finance and Administration Committee received a report outlining a new application process and criteria for annual grants. Council approved that annual grant recipients would complete a grant application form every five years and complete a year-end report annually.

2022 annual grants were approved by Council at the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of May 17, 2022, by way of By-law 2022-109: By-law to Authorize the Payment of Grants to Various Non-Profit Community Organizations in the Leisure Services Sector, passed at the City Council meeting of June 16, 2022.

Upon Council's direction, a Grant Agreement accompanied 2022 annual grants which outlined the permitted uses of the grant and requirements for year-end reporting. Post-project reports were to be returned to the Leisure Services Division by February 24, 2023.

## 2022 Annual Grant Review

Grant agreements for annual grant recipients outlined permitted use of funds, eligible and ineligible expenses, and the requirement to provide a year-end report and other financial deliverables. Year-end reports were to include a narrative describing the recipient's use of the grant and the resulting benefit to the community. Information submitted to the City has been reviewed by the respective Director responsible for the operating budget from which the grant is funded. A summary of the 2022 year-end reports is attached as Appendix A - 2022 Annual Grant Year-End Report.

# Value for Money Process

At the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of November 15, 2016, Council passed a resolution directing staff to create a framework for auditing annual grants in the context of value for money (Resolution CC2016-385). As part of this direction, a value for money audit was conducted on annual grants in 2022, after the previously approved five-year period during which time organizations were required to reapply for annual grants. The results will be presented to Council at the Finance & Administration Committee meeting of May 16, 2023.

## **Auditor General Recommendations**

The Auditor General's office provided broader process recommendations for annual grant agreements at the May 23, 2023 Audit Committee Meeting.

The grant agreements will be revised to outline the permitted uses of the grant and requirements for yearend reporting per the Auditor General's recommendations.

# **Changes from Previous Annual Grant Reports**

The following is a summary of changes to annual grants from previous years' reports:

## Clifford and Lily Fielding Charitable Foundation to Kivi Park Community Foundation

The Clifford and Lily Fielding Charitable Foundation has transferred ownership of the properties for which an annual grant pays property tax liability to the Kivi Park Community Foundation. Moving forward, the property tax liability grant will be issued to Kivi Park Community Foundation.

## **Volunteer Sudbury to United Way Centraide North East Ontario**

The services that Volunteer Sudbury provided for this annual grant are now offered by United Way Centraide North East Ontario after a merger of the organizations. Moving forward, United Way will be managing the volunteer recruitment, training and matching programs in order to provide more sustainability and growth for volunteer services in Greater Sudbury. In fact, it was originally the United Way Centraide North East Ontario which fostered and developed the Volunteer Sudbury organization. Moving forward, the grant for operating costs will be issued to the United Way Centraide North East Ontario.

The following are reductions in the annual grant program:

## **Clifford and Lily Fielding Charitable Foundation**

The City formerly issued a purchase of service agreement for sports equipment rental operation at Kivi Park, which was administered through the community annual grant process. Upon the expiry of this agreement, it was determined that the Kivi Park Community Foundation could support this transaction with the equipment rental operation directly. The grants will be less \$25,000 for 2023 and forward.

# Downtown Sudbury, Child and Community Resources, Social Planning Council of Sudbury

As noted in the Results of 2022 Five-year Value for Money Review of Community Annual Grants, the above organizations have stopped operating, are no longer providing the same service level, or declined to apply for the value for money review. As these organizations no longer require municipal support to conduct intended programs the annual grant was approved to support, grants will not be issued on a move forward basis, resulting in an under expenditure in grants of \$92,500 in 2023.

#### 2023 Annual Grants

#### Older Adult Centres - \$108,461

In accordance with the provisions of the Seniors Active Living Centres Act mandated under the Ministry of Seniors Affairs, the City contributes annually to eligible seniors' centres in the amount of 20% of the centre's eligible operating and maintenance costs that are directly related to providing programs and services to seniors. The following is a summary of the approved Seniors Active Living Centres.

Organization	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Club 50 Chelmsford	\$12,000	
Club Accueil Âge d'Or – Azilda	\$14,100	
Centre Club d'Âge d'Or de la Vallée	\$17,080	Assist with operating and maintenance
Club Amical du Nouveau Sudbury	\$19,354	expenses pursuant to the Seniors Active
Nickel Centre Seniors Club	\$6,700	Living Centres Act, 2017
Onaping Falls Golden Age Club	\$9,527	
One Eleven Senior Citizens Centre	\$12,000	

Parkside Older Adult Centre Sudbury	\$12,000
Rayside-Balfour Senior Craft Shop	\$ 5,700

## **Youth Centres - \$149,120**

Annual grants are provided to the following organizations to assist with costs associated with operating youth centre sites.

Organization	<b>Grant Amount</b>	Purpose of Grant
Rayside-Balfour Youth Action Network	\$60,000	Assist with yearly operating expenses
Sudbury Action Centre for Youth – After School Program	\$89,120	Assist with operating expenses related to the after-school program

# Community Centres - \$90,000

Annual grants to the following community centers assist with the operating costs of non-municipally owned facilities as well as for the delivery of recreation programs.

Organization	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Beaver Lake Sports & Cultural Club	\$16,000	Assist with yearly operating expenses
Carole Richard Park Community Association	\$16,000	Assist with yearly operating expenses
Kukagami Campers Association	\$10,000	Assist with the association's expenditures on recreational activities
Penage Road Community Centre	\$16,000	Assist with yearly operating expenses
Skead Community Centre	\$16,000	Assist with yearly operating expenses
Wahnapitae Community Centre	\$16,000	Assist with yearly operating expenses

## Special Events or Purposes - \$45,000

Annual grants to the following organizations assist with costs related to annual community events.

Organization	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Anderson Farm Museum Heritage Society Fall Fair	\$2,500	Assist with the annual Anderson Farm Museum Heritage Society Fall Fair
Onaping Falls Lions Club Cavalcade of Colours	\$1,500	Assist with hosting the Cavalcade of Colours event held in Onaping Falls
Science North Canada Day Celebration (Fireworks)	\$30,000	Contribution to expenses for Canada Day fireworks display
Sudbury Multicultural and Folks Arts Association (Canada Day)	\$11,000	Contribution to expenses for Canada Day festivities

# **Operating Grants of Certain Organizations - \$280,430**

The following organizations receive annual grants to support operations and activities.

Organization	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Northern Ontario Railroad Museum & Heritage Centre	\$106,430	Assist with operating expenses
Rainbow Routes Association	\$45,000	Assist with operating expenses
New Hope Outreach Services (Samaritan Centre)	\$27,000	Assist with expenses for a custodian position
Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers	\$50,000	Assist with operating expenses
United Way Centraide North East Ontario	\$10,000	Assist with operating expenses
Sudbury Shared Harvest	\$30,000	Support operations and to assist in leveraging funds from other sources
Kivi Park Community Foundation Roll Numbers: 090.001.00500 090.001.01000 090.001.02800 090.001.02900 090.002.11600 090.002.11500	\$12,000	100% contribution toward payment of 2023 property taxes for identified properties occupied by the respective not-for-profit organization and payable only upon evidence of payment of applicable property taxes in full

# **Curling Clubs - \$16,950**

The following organizations receive an annual grant for property tax liability.

Organization	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Capreol Curling Club	\$4,500	
Roll Number: 190.007.17700		
Coniston Curling Club	\$1,850	
Roll Number: 230.003.04800		50% contribution toward payment of 2023 property taxes for identified properties occupied by the respective not-for-profit
Copper Cliff Curling Club	\$4,700	organization and payable only upon
Roll Number: 080.004.19300		evidence of payment of applicable property taxes in full
Sudbury Curling Club Inc.	\$5,900	
Roll Number: 010.007.11400		

## **Community Action Networks - \$50,000**

At the City Council meeting of December 12, 2017, revised Terms of Engagement for Community Action Networks (CANs) were approved which identify those annual grants are to be used for administrative and promotional purposes. The revised Terms of Engagement provides the ability for CANs to carry over a maximum of 25% of unspent grant funds to the following year with City approval.

Organization	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Azilda	\$2,500	•
Capreol	\$2,500	
Chelmsford	\$2,500	
Coniston	\$2,500	
Copper Cliff	\$2,500	
Donovan / Elm West	\$2,500	
Dowling	\$2,500	
Flour Mill	\$2,500	
Garson / Falconbridge	\$2,500	
Kingsmount / Bell Park	\$2,500	A saint with some so for a desirable to
Levack	\$2,500	Assist with expenses for administration and promotion
Minnow Lake	\$2,500	
Onaping Falls	\$2,500	
South End	\$2,500	
Uptown	\$2,500	
Valley East	\$2,500	
Walden	\$2,500	
Ward 1	\$2,500	
Ward 8	\$2,500	
Ward 12 – New Sudbury	\$2,500	

# **Next Steps**

Upon passing of the by-law to authorize 2023 annual grants, recipients will be sent a 2023 grant agreement.

Where applicable, funds will be issued to a recipient upon confirmation of expected need and following verification that all required year-end deliverables for their 2022 grant are received and in compliance.

## **Resources Cited**

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