

2024 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 2024 budget process. The 2024 grants will be released subject to Council's approval of the applicable by-law. Refer to the By-law Section.

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 respective 2024 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.

2023 annual grants were approved by Council at the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of May 16, 2023, by way of By-law 2023-96: 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 13, 2023.

Upon Council's direction, a Grant Agreement accompanied 2023 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, Economic Development and Children & Social Services Divisions by January 26, 2024.

2023 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 2023 year-end reports is attached as Attachment 1 - 2023 Annual Grant Year-End Report.

Changes from Previous Annual Grant Reports

The Centre Club d'Age D'Or de la Vallee has officially changed its name to Le Rendez-vous de Vallée Est; therefore, all administration for this grant will be updated as such.

Seniors Active Living Centres

The Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility (MSAA) funds the Seniors Active Living Centres (SALC) Program to support organizations to establish sustainable programs to support seniors. The SALC Program is established by the Seniors Active Living Centres Act, 2017, (SALCA), which defines the SALC Program purpose "to promote active and healthy living, social engagement and learning for persons who are primarily seniors by providing them with activities and services".

As stipulated in the SALCA, municipal support of the maintenance and operating costs of the SALC program is mandatory to qualify for SALC funding from MSAA. As in past years, the value of the municipal contribution can be cash or in-kind, or a combination of both.

The City currently funds a total of \$108,461 to nine eligible SALCs, noted under the Older Adult Centres category below. The minimum municipal contribution must be 20 percent of the net annual cost of maintaining and operating the program for the funded year for SALCs to be eligible for SALC funding. The municipal contribution does not have a legislated maximum set in the SALCA.

To continue to support SALC operators' ability to provide more varied programs for more older adults in the face of the rising cost of living, MSAA has increased the maximum maintenance and operating funding threshold from \$42,700 to \$50,000. This means that in 2024-25, MSAA will fund up to 80% of SALC programs' net operating costs, to a maximum of \$50,000.

With the increase to the provincial maximum of the SALC grant, it is anticipated that currently funded SALCs may report increased net operating costs and request additional funding from the City to meet the 20 percent minimum contribution.

2024 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 and Accessibility, 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 Rayside-Balfour Inc.	\$12,000	
Club Accueil Age D'Or Azilda	\$14,100	
Le Rendez-vous de Vallée Est (formerly Centre Club d'Âge d'Or de la Vallée)	\$17,080	
Le Club Amical du Nouveau Sudbury	\$19,354	
Nickel Centre Seniors Club	\$6,700	Assist with operating and maintenance expenses pursuant to the Seniors Active
Onaping Falls Golden Age Club	\$9,527	Living Centres Act, 2017
One Eleven Senior Citizens Centre Inc.	\$12,000	
Older Adult Centre Sudbury / Centre des Aines de Sudbury (Parkside)	\$12,000	
Rayside-Balfour Senior Craft Shop Incorporated	\$ 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	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Rayside-Balfour Youth Action Network	\$60,000	Assist with operating costs of the youth centre
Sudbury Action Centre for Youth	\$89,120	Assist with operating expenses related to the After Four 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 and Cultural Club Inc.	\$16,000	Assist with operational costs of the community centre
Carol Richard Park Community Association	\$16,000	Assist with operational costs of the community centre
Kukagami Campers' Association Inc.	\$10,000	Assist with the association's expenditures on recreational activities
The Penage Road Community Centre	\$16,000	Assist with operational costs of the community centre
Skead Recreation Centre	\$16,000	Assist with operational costs of the community centre
Wahnapitae Community Centre	\$16,000	Assist with operational costs of the community centre

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	\$2,500	Assist with the annual Anderson Farm Museum Heritage Society Fall Fair
Onaping Falls Lions Club Inc.	\$1,500	Assist with operating costs of Cavalcade of Colours
Science North Science Nord	\$30,000	Contribution to expenses for Canada Day event
Sudbury Multicultural-Folks Arts Association	\$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	\$27,000	Assist with expenses for a custodian position
Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers Inc.	\$50,000	Assist with operating expenses
Sudbury Shared Harvest	\$30,000	Support operations and to assist in leveraging funds from other sources
United Way Centraide North East Ontario	\$10,000	Assist with operational expenses related to volunteer services in Sudbury
Kivi Park Community Foundation Roll Numbers: 090.001.00500 090.001.01000 090.001.02800 090.001.02900 090.002.11600	Variable Estimate: \$12,000	100% contribution toward payment of 2024 property taxes assessed for identified properties occupied by the identified not-for-profit organization and payable only upon evidence of payment of applicable property taxes in full. The grant does not include payment of interest, penalty charges and amounts added to the tax roll.
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Curling Clubs - \$17,648.50 (estimate)

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

Organization	Grant Amount	Purpose of Grant
Capreol Curling Club	Variable	
Roll Number: 190.007.17700	Estimate: \$4,704.84	
Coniston Curling Club	Variable	50% contribution toward payment of 2024
Roll Number: 230.003.04800	Estimate: \$1,912.34	property taxes assessed for identified properties occupied by the respective not-for-profit organization and payable only
Copper Cliff Curling Club	Variable	upon evidence of payment of applicable
Roll Number: 080.004.19300	Estimate: \$4,917.37	property taxes in full. The grant does not include interest, penalty charges and other amounts added to the tax roll.
Sudbury Curling Club Inc.	Variable	
Roll Number: 010.007.11400	Estimate: \$6,113.96	

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	Againt with average for a desirable
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 2024 annual grants, recipients will be sent a 2024 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 2023 grant are received and in compliance.

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