

2024 Neighbourhood Association Annual Grant Allocation By-Law

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Report Summary

The report provides information regarding the 2024 applications received for Neighbourhood Association grants. Grants will be released subject to Council's approval of the applicable by-law.

Relationship to the Strategic Plan, Health Impact Assessment and Climate Action Plans

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan in the area of, Creating a Healthier Community as it aligns with the Population Health Priorities of Play, Families, and Age Friendly Strategy. Neighbourhood Associations create and deliver services to improve the health and well-being of youth, families and seniors and maintaining public spaces. The annual grants assist the Neighbourhood Associations in these areas.

Financial Implications

Funds are budgeted in the 2024 Leisure Services operating budget under the Neighbourhood Association Annual Grant Allocation.

Background

Neighbourhood Associations are volunteer organizations that work in cooperation with the City of Greater Sudbury (City) to improve the quality of life in their community. Neighbourhood Associations organize and promote local leisure opportunities to meet the needs of area residents. Associations are involved with a variety of programs, activities, and special events including community clean ups, winter carnivals, outdoor rinks and providing community meeting space.

As part of the 2024 budget process, Council approved an annual budget allocation in support of the Neighbourhood Associations in the amount of \$54,281. Annual grants support Neighbourhood Association activities and events. Neighbourhood Associations which are affiliated with the City are considered for a grant within the limits of the available financial resources. Associations are entitled to not more than one grant per year, and are required to complete a grant application form, which details the purpose of their grant.

A Post Project Report must be submitted by each Association upon utilization of the funds. Subsequent grant applications from an Association will not be considered unless a Post Project Report has been submitted for previous grants issued to that Association.

The annual neighbourhood grants remain a critical source of funding to ensure volunteers are adequately funded to support the outdoor rink program.

The following is a summary of eligible grant expenditures:

Equipment

Equipment purchases should create opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to take part in a wide range of sports and leisure programs. The purchased materials will remain the property of the City of Greater Sudbury should the Association dissolve.

Community Special Events

Community Special Events hosted by the Association will reflect neighbourhood needs and priorities. Localized special events allow volunteers to create new partnerships, sponsorships, attract new volunteers and foster community engagement and involvement for all ages.

Operating Costs

Operating costs are defined as the Association's ongoing costs, i.e., purchase of snow blower, mail outs, gas, oil, telephone, etc. Costs to hire staff are not eligible for funding. The intent of the operating fund is to assist Associations in effectively conducting their business and enabling them to use their own fundraising dollars for ongoing activities.

Grant applications have been reviewed by an ad-hoc committee consisting of Leisure Services Division staff and Neighbourhood Associations volunteers. The attached summary in Appendix A – Neighbourhood Association 2024 Grant Allocation, outlines the 2024 allocation requests. The budgeted funds are being distributed to a total of 35 Neighbourhood Associations.

Appendix A – Neighbourhood Association 2024 Grant Allocation

Neighbourhood Association	Project Description	Grant Amount
Algonquin	New snowblower & edger, fuel for snow blower, support Sudbury Playground Hockey League (SPHL)	1,500
Azilda	Canteen, fuel for snowblower	1,500
Beaver Lake	Canteen, facility enhancements	1,500
Black Lake	Snowblower repairs, basketball nets, fuel for snowblower	725
Carmichael	Canteen, community events, community garden, fuel for snowblower, sporting programs, BBQ	1,500
Carol Richard Park	Community event, rink improvements, fuel for snowblower	1,500
Cedar Park	Community event, fuel for snowblower, support Sudbury Playground Hockey League (SPHL)	1,500
Claude Charbonneau	Canteen, community event, fuel for snowblower	1,000
Coniston	Community event, fuel for snowblower, sporting equipment	1,500
Delki Dozzi	Community event, ice resurfer, fuels for snowblower	1,075
Den Lou	Canteen, kitchen cupboards, fuel for snow blower	1,500
Dowling	Community event, equipment maintenance, fuel for snowblower, skating & sporting equipment	1,400
Downe	Community event, fuel for snowblower, sporting equipment	1,300
East End	Canteen, community event, fuel for snowblower, sporting equipment	1,500
Elmview	Fuel for snowblower, trees, wind fencing for pickleball courts	1,150
Elm West	Canteen, community events, fuel for snowblower	1,500
Four Lakes	Canteen, community event	1,500
Kinsmen (Hillcrest)	Canteen, community event, fuel for snowblower	1,450
Kivi Park	Canteen, fuel for snowblower, snowblower maintenance, rink board repairs, SPHL equipment	1,500
LoEllen Park	Canteen, facility enhancement, fuel for snowblower, support Sudbury Playground Hockey League (SPHL)	1,500
Lonsdale	Community event, fuel for snowblower	1,355
Matson	New snowblower, fuel for snowblower	1,500
Penage Road	Facility enhancements	1,500

Pinecrest	Community event, volunteer recruitment	1,500
Riverdale	Canteen, equipment repairs, fuel for snowblower, skating aids & equipment,	1,235
Robinson	Canteen, community event, equipment repairs, fuel for snowblower	1,500
Rosemarie	Canteen, community event, fuel for snowblower, sporting equipment	1,150
Russell Beaudry	Fuel for snowblower, snow removal equipment	500
Simon Lake	Canteen, community events, facility enhancements	1,500
Sked Recreation Club	Canteen, community event, fuel for snowblower	1,000
Sked Road Community Club	Community event, facility repairs & maintenance	1,000
Sunnyside	Purchase shed, fuel for snowblower	1,500
Twin Forks	Community event, benches	1,500
Vermillion	Community event, facility repair	1,500
VLA	Community event, fuel for snowblower, facility improvements	800
Westmount	Community event, fuel for snowblower	1,500
Associations – Total 35		\$ 48,140