

Healthy Community Initiative Fund Applications – April 23, 2025

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Report Summary

This report provides a recommendation regarding Healthy Community Initiative (HCI) funding requests. By-law 2018-129 requires Council's approval for all eligible HCI Capital fund requests exceeding \$10,000 and Grant requests exceeding \$1,000.

Resolution

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves the Healthy Community Initiative Fund requests, as outlined in the report entitled "Healthy Community Initiative Fund Applications – April 23, 2025", from the General Manager of Community Development, presented at the Community and Emergency Services Committee meeting on April 23, 2025;

AND THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to present a by-law to authorize the grants recommended in the report.

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

This report refers to the City of Greater Sudbury's Strategic Plan 2019-2027 objective 5.0 Create a Healthier and More Vibrant Community through the advancement of City-led goals from Population Health, A Call to Action 2018-2028, more specifically achieving Compassionate City Designation, implementing an Age-Friendly Strategy, building Resiliency, and creating Play Opportunities as well as Investing in Infrastructure to Support Community Recreation with a Focus on Quality of Life. The information in this report has no relationship to the Community Energy & Emissions Plan.

Financial Implications

The Healthy Community Initiative (HCI) Fund is allocated within prescribed budgets. Approval of HCI capital projects includes approval of operating costs to be provided in the base budget in subsequent budget years to the operating department.

Background

A guiding principle of By-law 2018-129, a By-law to Adopt a Policy Regarding the Healthy Community Initiative Fund, is that HCI funds should be used primarily for funding city-owned capital projects with no more than 25% of the annual ward allocation expended on eligible grant applications. To help illustrate the

difference, By-law 2018-129 and HCI reporting reference two grant streams defined as Capital and Grant.

Any funds in the ward allocation not spent at the end of a calendar year may be carried forward for the benefit of the applicable ward but may only be expended on eligible Capital projects, which results in each ward carrying different balances.

By-law 2018-129 Approval Authority

All requests that meet HCI funding criteria and are recommended by the General Manager of Community Development (General Manager), require approval within the thresholds below.

General Manager Approval

- Grant applications less than \$1,000
- Capital applications less than \$10,000
- Capital applications that result in annual operating budget increases of less than \$5,000

Council Approval

- Grant applications greater than \$1,000
- Applications that result in an applicant receiving a cumulative total Grant greater than \$1,000 in calendar year
- Applications that result in an event or initiative receiving a Grant greater than \$1,000 due to applications by multiple participants
- Capital applications greater than \$10,000
- Capital applications that result in annual operating budget increases greater than \$5,000

HCI Fund Applications and Financial Summary

Attachment 1 – Healthy Community Initiative Fund – Applications, lists HCI Fund requests by ward as recommended by the General Manager for approval by Council. All projects listed in Attachment 1 have been evaluated against By-law 2018-129 and its related criteria and have been verified to ensure sufficient funds are available within each ward's funding allocation.

Attachment 2 – Healthy Community Initiative Fund – Application Outcomes, provides a list of HCI Fund applications that were approved or denied by the General Manager since the last report presented at the Community and Emergency Services Committee meeting on March 17, 2025.

Attachment 3 – Healthy Community Initiative Fund Financials includes the recommended approvals contained in this report as well as a summary of HCI fund allocation balances up to March 14, 2025. The amounts may be adjusted due to reimbursement of under-spent funds from completed and reconciled projects or initiatives.

Next Steps

Upon Council approval, applicants will receive written notification confirming the application's approved funding and the permitted use of funds, and Grant recipients will also receive a Post-project Final Report form. This form is to be completed by the applicant and returned following completion of the initiative for reconciliation by Financial Services.

Grant recipients will receive funding via electronic fund transfer or cheque for the approved amount, whereas a Capital funded project will be managed by the City of Greater Sudbury, working closely with the applicant.

HCI funded Capital projects will be prioritized based on the applicable City department's annual workplans and initiated within 24 months of approval in accordance with By-law 2018-129.

Should an HCI fund request not be approved, the applicant will be notified of same and the reasons for which it was not approved.

Resources Cited

Healthy Community Initiative Fund, By-law 2018-219

<https://www.greatersudbury.ca/city-hall/grants-and-funding/hci-fund/application-process/hci-fund-policy/>

Healthy Community Initiative (HCI) Fund
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Capital Funds

Ward	Recipient/ Project/ Location	Purpose for Funds	Estimated Operating Costs per year	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended for Approval by the GM
6	Valley East Community Action Network / Geotechnical Testing for Elmview Outdoor Rink / Elmview Outdoor Rink	Assist with costs of geotechnical testing for Elmview Outdoor Rink to determine requirements for resurfacing	N/A	\$13,000	\$13,000

Grants

Ward	Recipient/Initiative	Purpose for Funds	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended for Approval by the GM
3	Rayside Balfour Youth Action Network / Festival in the Park	Assist with entertainment and equipment rental costs	\$3,000	\$3,000
5, 6, 7	Valley East Lions Club / Back to School Program	Assist with back to school supplies to be distributed to children in need	\$1,500 (\$500/ward)	\$1,500 (\$500/ward)
5, 6	Valley East Lions Club / Children's Day Event	Assist with costs of food and refreshments, supplies, prizes, and game rentals	\$2,000 (\$1,000/ward)	\$2,000 (\$1,000/ward)

Healthy Community Initiative (HCI) Fund**Applications Approved/Denied by the General Manager of Community Development**

For the period of January 31, 2025 to March 14, 2025

Successful Applications**Capital**

Ward	Group / Project	Estimated Operating Costs per year	Amount Requested	Amount Approved
12	Flour Mill Community Action Network / O'Connor Court Resurfacing Design Work	N/A	\$7,500	\$7,500

Grants

Ward	Group / Project	Amount Requested	Amount Approved
2	Beaver Lakes Sports & Cultural Club / Beaver Lake Winter Carnival	\$1,000	\$1,000
3	Onaping Falls Nordics / Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast	\$500	\$500
4	Azilda Community Action Network / Azilda Polar Dunk	\$500	\$500
4	Azilda Community Action Network / Pumpkin Patch	\$500	\$500
4	Miners for Cancer / Allan Epps Memorial Softball Tournament	\$500	\$500
7	Capreol Events Committee / Capreol Winter Carnival	\$1,000	\$1,000
10	Magical Paws Pet Therapy / Woof Fest	\$500	\$500
1, 4, 10, 12	Northern Ontario Pride Connection / Spring Gathering	\$1,000 (\$250/ward)	\$1,000 (\$250/ward)
3, 4	Northern Community Events Group / March Break Fun Fest	\$1,000 (\$500/ward)	\$1,000 (\$500/ward)

Unsuccessful Applications

Ward	Group / Project	Amount Requested	Reason(s) for Denial
10	Afrofest Sudbury / Afrofest Sudbury 2025 – The Festival	\$3,000	Receiving additional City funding over \$58,000
MW	2025 Ontario Short Track Provincial Championships	\$1,000	Receiving additional City funding Cost may be a barrier to participate