

Healthy Community Initiative Fund Applications – August 11, 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 – August 11, 2025", from the General Manager of Community Services, presented at the Community and Emergency Services Committee meeting on August 11, 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 the HCI Fund Policy is that HCI funds should be used primarily for funding city-owned

capital projects (Capital) with no more than 25% of the annual ward allocation spent on eligible grant applications (Grant). To clarify the distinction, the HCI Fund Policy and reporting categorize funding into two streams: Capital Projects and Grants.

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 Services (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

See Appendix 1 – Healthy Community Initiative Fund – Applications for a list of HCI Fund requests by ward as recommended by the General Manager for approval by Council. All projects listed in Appendix 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.

See Appendix 2 – Healthy Community Initiative Fund – Application Outcomes for 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 June 16, 2025.

See Attachment 1 – Healthy Community Initiative Fund Financials for recommended approvals contained in this report as well as a summary of HCI fund allocation balances up to July 8, 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 Applications for Council Approval – August 11, 2025

Capital Funds

Ward	Recipient	Project	Purpose of Funds	Estimated Annual Operating Costs	Amount Recommended for Approval by the GM
5	Carol Richard Park Community Association	Shaded Picnic Table at Carol Richard Park	Assist with costs of purchase and installation of accessible shaded picnic table, cement pad, and required groundwork	\$300	\$21,000
5	Valley East Community Action Network	Kalmo Beach Phase 1 - Design & Engineering Plan	Assist with costs of design and engineering work required to advance future development of Kalmo Beach in alignment with established 10 Year Plan	N/A	\$50,000
6	Valley East Community Action Network	Valley East Dog Park	Support the organization in securing community support and sponsorships for a future dog park on Centennial Drive in Hanmer. The funding will assist with fundraising efforts and, once successful, will be used toward site preparation and the purchase and installation of equipment.	\$7,500	\$80,000
8	Westmount Community Centre	Westmount Outdoor Rink Resurfacing	Support the organization in securing community support and sponsorships for resurfacing Westmount Outdoor Rink. The funding will assist with fundraising efforts and, once successful, will be used toward site preparation and materials.	\$0 (operating costs included in prior HCI approval)	\$50,000

Grants

Ward	Recipient	Initiative	Purpose of Funds	Amount Recommended for Approval by the GM
1	Ward 1 Community Action Network	Movie Night at Robinson Park	Assist with costs of equipment rental	\$1,500
3	Onaping Falls Hamper Fund	2025 Christmas Hampers	Assist with costs of supplies to provide Christmas hampers to families in Dowling, Onaping, and Levack	\$1,500
7	Capreol Community Action Network	Capreol Santa Claus Parade	Assist with costs of police and insurance	\$3,000

Ward	Recipient	Initiative	Purpose of Funds	Amount Recommended for Approval by the GM
9	Coniston Community Garden	Canada Day in Coniston Park	Assist with food, refreshment, and supply costs and game and BBQ rental	\$1,000
9	Coniston Community Garden	Jammin with Seniors	Assist with costs related to programming that teaches seniors to make freezer jam	\$1,000
9	Coniston Community Garden	Beet Making Workshop	Assist with costs related to programming that teaches seniors to pickle beets	\$850
11	Councillor-led event	Grandparent's Day	Assist with costs related to food and beverages, entertainment, and activities	\$3,000

Healthy Community Initiative (HCI) Fund

Applications Approved/Denied by the General Manager of Community Services For the period of May 8, 2025 to July 8, 2025

Successful Applications

Capital

Ward	Recipient	Project	Purpose of Funds	Estimated Annual Operating Costs	Amount Approved
2	Copper Cliff Community Action Network	Benches at Copper Cliff Park	Assist with costs of purchase and installation of benches at Copper Cliff Park	\$100	\$2,700
3	Onaping Falls Recreation Committee	Replace Gate at A.Y. Jackson Lookout	Assist with costs of purchase and installation of replacement gate at A.Y. Jackson Lookout	\$200	\$10,000

Grants

Ward	Recipient	Initiative	Purpose of Funds	Amount Approved
1	Robinson Bocce Association	Bocce Tournament & Appreciation Luncheon	Purchase of food, refreshments, prizes, and advertising for scrimmage	\$500
1	Delki Dozzi Bocce Association	Bocce Tournament Prizes	Tournament prizes (\$250/tournament)	\$500
5	reThink Green	Flour Mill Community Farm Open House	Assist with costs of equipment rental, entertainment, activities, and food and refreshments	\$1,000

Unsuccessful Applications

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Ward	Applicant	Initiative	Amount Requested	Reason(s) for Denial	
2	Focus Health Physiotherapy + Wellness	Yoga Fitness at Anderson Farm	\$1,000	Applicant is a for-profit organization and therefore not eligible	
6	Four Lakes Community Association	Road Plowing	\$3,310.35	Plowing not an eligible expense	