

COMMUNICATION 132008

Received from Joanne Henderson, Manager of Recreation and Culture
Addressed to Committee of the Whole
Date December 8, 2020
Topic Additional Community Enrichment Grant Request

SUMMARY

An additional request for a Community Enrichment Grant has been received from the Carleton Place Christmas Basket Program in the amount of \$5,000. Staff recommends that the maximum grant amount of \$1,500 per the program parameters be provided.

COMMENT

Each year, Council approves a budget to allocate funding to various community groups to assist them in their endeavours. Council approved a budget of \$30,000.00 for 2020. The funding program is known as the Community Enrichment Program.

Staff has received an additional application under the program following the 1st and 2nd intakes and has reviewed it against the program criteria. The request was received from the Carleton Place Christmas Basket Program in the amount of \$5,000. The Community Enrichment Program criteria outlines a maximum contribution for requests in the amount of \$1,500. Given the program's criteria, staff recommends that a \$1,500 grant be provided in response to the request received.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Below is a summary of Community Enrichment Grant Funding available:

2020 Budget	\$30,000.00
Total used from Intake 1	\$ 7,577.22
Total used from Intake 2	\$ 5,000.00
Staff Recommendation – Additional Application	<u>\$ 1,500.00</u>
Remaining Balance	\$15,922.78
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Council approved at the November 24, 2020 Council meeting that any unused funds at year end be transferred to a reserve and used to fund 2021's Community Enrichment Program.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve the allocation of a Community Enrichment Grants to the Carleton Place Christmas Basket Program in the amount of \$1,500.00