



**Subject: Grant Allocation for Non-Profit Organizations**

**To: Council**

**From: Office of the Chief Administrative Officer**

Report Number: 2023-163

Meeting Date: August 15, 2022

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**Recommendation:**

That Corporate Services Department Report 2023-163 be received; and

That the following grants for non-profits totalling \$17,500 be approved for the second allocation of 2023;

The Wave	\$2,300
Port Cares Reach Out Centre	\$3,500
Port Colborne Art Club	\$1,500
2 <sup>nd</sup> Port Colborne Scouts	\$2,400
Oak Centre Lake House	\$2,300
Niagara Nutrition Partners	\$4,000
Friends of Roselawn Centre	\$1,500

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**Purpose:**

To seek council approval for the second allocation of 2023 grants to non-profit groups.

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**Background:**

On June 13, 2023, Council passed By-law Number 7097/39/23, Being a By-law to Establish a Committee known as the Grant Allocation Advisory Committee, to Establish a Terms of Reference and to Repeal By-law No. 6317/143/15, and all Amendments Thereto.

The Grant Allocation Advisory Committee (GAAC) is an Advisory Committee of Council established to recommend to Council the distribution of grants to non-profit organizations requesting grant funds, from the City, in accordance with the Grant Policy and approved budget.

In accordance with the Grant Policy, applications are received twice a year with deadlines of January 31 and June 30. Applications are reviewed by the Committee and recommendations are brought forward to Council for final approval.

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## **Discussion:**

On June 30, 2023, eight applications for funding were received. Grant allocation committee members were provided with copies of the applications for review. The committee met to evaluate the applications on July 26, 2023.

The following recommendations were made by the committee:

That grant requests for a total of \$17,500 be approved for the second allocation of grants for 2023 as follows:

\$2,300 for The Wave to help cover the cost of skilled development training from a national level coach, to increase female participation in hockey, primarily U9 to U15;

\$3,500 for Port Cares Reach Out Centre to support 2,766 clients at the food bank, with lunch kits, community meals, and emergency food boxes;

\$1,500 for Port Colborne Art Club to help cover costs of website upgrades to increase membership, integrate with social media, enhance marketing and registration;

\$2,400 to 2<sup>nd</sup> Port Colborne Scouts to help cover costs of repairs and renovation to reopen the camp;

\$2,300 for the Oak Centre Lake House to refurbish new location of clubhouse for challenged clients aged 16 and older;

\$4,000 to Niagara Nutrition Partners help cover the costs of daily meals for Port Colborne school children;

\$1,500 for Friends of Roselawn Centre for an art tool loaning centre, a Tiny Art Library, and support for Authors' Talks

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**Internal Consultations:**

Not Applicable

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**Financial Implications:**

Available funds for 2023 are \$43,200 of which \$25,360.71 were allocated in the first round of funding in February, which left \$17,839.29 for the second allocation in June.

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**Public Engagement:**

The availability of the grant was made public on the city website, in the City newsletter, on the Port Colborne Facebook page, and in the Mayor's Report to council.

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**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

The initiative contained within this report supports the following pillar(s) of the strategic plan:

- Welcoming, Livable, Healthy Community
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**Conclusion:**

After careful, critical consideration and decision of the Grant Committee members, staff recommend that Council approve the 2023 second allocation of grants to applicants.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**Report Approval:**

All reports reviewed and approved by the Department Director and also the City Treasurer when relevant. Final review and approval by the Chief Administrative Officer.