

**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**DATE:** 2017 June 27

**FROM:** DIRECTOR FINANCE  
DIRECTOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND  
COMMUNITY SERVICES

**FILE:** 7500-01

**SUBJECT: TRAFFIC FINE REVENUE SHARING PROGRAM**

**PURPOSE:** To inform Council on the 2016 Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Grant received and utilized for programs by the City.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** this report be received for information.

**REPORT**

**1.0 BACKGROUND**

The Strategic Community Investment Fund (SCIF) program ended in 2014. The Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Grant was a component of the SCIF program. Beginning in 2015, the Province of British Columbia returned to regular annual grant funding (similar to funding calculations prior to SCIF). The Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development advised that the 2017 unconditional grant funding for the Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Program will be paid in one installment on 2017 June 22 totaling \$2,424,747.

**2.0 2016 REPORT**

The Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Grant is an unconditional grant provided by the Provincial Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development to municipalities for the purpose of assisting them in promoting community safety and addressing community strategic priorities.

The purpose of this report is to advise Council that 100% of the Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Grant received has been used or is being used to provide City policing services. Grant money received in 2016 totaled \$2,581,870. Some highlights of the 2016 policing programs that utilized the grant are noted below.

- *Mental Health:*

Burnaby RCMP continued to staff a full time Mental Health coordinator position. This position, staffed by an RCMP Constable, is responsible for liaising with the local health

authorities on mental health related issues as well as providing front line assistance to the general duty members of the Burnaby Detachment so as to reduce the strain recurrent calls of a mental health nature can cause on the operational tempo of the Detachment.

- *Public Safety:*

The Bike Squad used specially equipped mountain bikes during the summer months to patrol those areas of Burnaby which are harder to reach. They also provided a more approachable police presence in the City's communities.

- *Road Safety:*

Distracted driving has now outpaced impaired driving as the number one cause of collisions in British Columbia. As part of the Provincial Distracted Driving Campaign held each March, Burnaby RCMP Traffic Services, along with ICBC conducted a month of enforcement and awareness which included a social media campaign as well as presenting a driving simulator at various public locations across Burnaby, such as SFU and BCIT, which showed how driving and operating an electronic device drastically reduces the response time of a vehicles driver.

- *Youth:*

During 2016, lectures were provided by the School and Youth Liaison Section to students within their various schools across Burnaby, with a focus on cyber bullying and cyber safety. These lectures were supplemented by having the Crime Prevention Unit (CPU) and schools unit provide lectures specifically focused on cybercrime as part of the Safe Community Series of public awareness.

- *Fentanyl and Naloxone:*

As the presence of the dangerous drug Fentanyl becomes more and more common across British Columbia, the Drug Section and Community Policing Unit began providing public lectures on the drug as well as on the usage of the antidote for the drug, Naloxone. All frontline police officers were equipped with Naloxone kits so that they can immediately administer it to any individual suspected of suffering from an Opioid overdose.

- *Youth Outreach:*

The School Liaison and Youth Section again engaged in the "Talking about the Topic of Opportunity" (TATTOO) program. The program engaged high risk youth that are vulnerable to the gang lifestyle. The schools officer purchases a lunchtime meal for the youth identified as high risk. During this meal, the kids, police and special guests can talk openly about issues. This eight week program spoke to drug use, economics of crime (financial ups and downs), and positive/negative police contact. By identifying these youth in the community, the hope was to show them that they have the ability to make their own choices and that the gap between youth and the police can be bridged. The ultimate goal was to build trust and rapport with Burnaby teens.

- **Motorcycle Safety Skills Training:**

On 2016 May 13, the Burnaby Traffic Section held a second annual Motorcycle Safety Skills Challenge. This was an event which allowed the general public to attend, test their driving skills on a motorcycle obstacle course as well as receive safety tips from trained motorcycle officers and be kept abreast of current laws regarding motorcycling in BC. It was a great opportunity for riders and police officers to interact in a positive way by discussing motorcycle safety.


The following chart outlines the Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Grants received by the City to date:

Year	Grant Received (\$)
2010	1,080,152
2011	3,847,295
2012	3,838,656
2013	1,874,865
2014	1,881,990
2015	2,716,650
2016	2,581,870
2017	2,424,747
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,246,225</b>

The City of Burnaby will continue to use these grant funds to strengthen policing services in the community in supporting crime reduction and improving safety. Grant funds help to reduce the impact of police costs on property taxes.

### 3.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council receive this report for information.

  
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