

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

*HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND COUNCILLORS*

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council approve the grant recommendations, as outlined in the report.

REPORT

INTRODUCTION

The Executive Committee of Council, at its meeting held on 2020 September 09, considered grant applications from community groups supporting Burnaby residents.

POLICY

The provision of grants to community groups is aligned with the City of Burnaby's Corporate Strategic Plan by supporting the following goals and sub-goals of the Plan:

- A Connected Community
 - Social connection – Enhance social connections throughout Burnaby
- An Inclusive Community
 - Create a sense of community – Provide opportunities that encourage and welcome all community members and create a sense of belonging
- A Healthy Community
 - Healthy life – Encourage opportunities for healthy living and well-being
 - Lifelong learning – Improve upon and develop programs and services that enable ongoing learning
 - Community Involvement – Encourage residents and businesses to give back to and invest in the community

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Committee of Council recommends the following grants for Council's approval:

#20.25.o United Way of the Lower Mainland \$10,000
Street Banner Program in-kind labour cost

An application was received from United Way of the Lower Mainland requesting an in-kind grant (for labour cost) in support of the 2020 United Way Campaign in the amount of \$10,000 to cover banner installation and removal costs along Kingsway, between Boundary Road and Royal Oak Avenue. The banners would be installed from 2020 November 01 to December 31. Approximately 37,500 residents benefit from United Way programs.

Request: \$10,000 *in-kind labour cost** CPA: *in-kind for labour cost*
2019 – \$10,000 (*used \$1,908*)
2018 – \$10,000 (*used \$3,919*)
2017 – \$15,000 (*used \$3,279*)

**Request for \$10,000 is due to unforeseen circumstance such as the need for hardware replacement.*

#20.26. Down Syndrome Resource Foundation \$10,000
One to One Children Programs

An application was received from the Burnaby-based Down Syndrome Resource Foundation (DSRF) requesting a grant in support of the One to One Children Programs from 2020 September 15 to 2021 June 30. The DSRF provides specialized and innovative health and education programs and services which meet the complex health and educational needs, increase social connectedness and self-esteem, improve the quality of life, and provide a foundation for lifelong learning for children living with Down Syndrome. Programs and services focus on speech, language and occupational therapy, reading and communication, math, and enhancing the life skills that foster maximum independence. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, virtual programs (i.e. telehealth services, online resources and group programs) have been implemented. The Foundation's centre is open for small group programs with larger opening planned for 2020 September. Approximately 563 individuals, 52% of which are Burnaby residents, benefit annually from these services.

Request: \$15,000

CPA: 2019 – \$10,000
2018 – No Application
2017 – No Application

#20.27. Volunteer Grandparents \$1,500
Bridging the Generations: Virtual Resources ***in-kind printing***
to Stay Connected

An application was received from Volunteer Grandparents requesting a grant to offset additional costs for maintaining existing programming from 2020 July to December. Volunteer Grandparents supports and encourages multi-generational relationships, and the concept of the extended family. The Family Match Program matches senior volunteers (i.e. grandparents) with families who have children aged 3 to 14 years and do not have grandparents. The School Grandparent Program provides senior volunteers for elementary school activities through which volunteers share their skills, knowledge and experience. Letters to Seniors Program supports isolated seniors in care facilities with encouraging drawings and messages sent by youth during the COVID-19 pandemic. The organization plans to establish a pen pal program, and to use funds for recruitment, screening and training of senior volunteers; to increase program enrollment and promote its services; and to develop a new online mentoring program. In 2020, approximately 125 Burnaby residents are benefiting from the programs.

Request: \$7,500

CPA: 2019 – \$1,500 *in-kind printing**
2018 – \$1,000 *in-kind printing***
2017 – No Application

**\$1,500 in-kind printing grant was awarded to Volunteer Grandparents for printing costs for the Family Match and School Grandparent Programs.*

***\$1,000 in-kind printing grant was awarded to Volunteer Grandparents for printing of promotional materials for their 45th anniversary campaign.*

#20.28. MOSAIC DENIED
BIPOC Voices on Racism and Anti-Racism Program

An application was received from MOSAIC requesting a grant in support of a virtual anti-racism program from 2020 November to 2021 March. The program will include a two-hour webinar featuring the Black, Indigenous and People of Colour (BIPOC) panelists discussing racism, its manifestation in the community, and guiding participants to take responsibility and become more anti-racist. Monthly training sessions will provide educational opportunities for the community, and address topics such as transitioning

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from a bystander to an ally, impacts of settlers' colonialism in Canada, and development of anti-racism skills and competencies for systematic social change. The target audience are residents volunteering and/or working in Burnaby. Approximately 80 individuals are expected to attend the webinar, and approximately 30 individuals are expected to attend each training session.

Request: \$10,695

CPA: 2019 – No Application
2018 – No Application
2017 – No Application

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Dhaliwal
Chair

Mayor M. Hurley
Vice Chair

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