

Staff Report 2019-47

Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Subject: Caledon Seniors Centre Expansion - Grant Renewal

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Caledon Seniors Centre be provided in-kind support as set out in Table A of Staff Report 2019-47 for the program expansion to rural facilities within Caledon by the Caledon Seniors Centre; and

That Staff be authorized to continue providing in-kind support for the duration of the Seniors Active Living Centre's Grant program.

REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

- Ministry of Seniors Affairs has continued support of the "Seniors Active Living Centre Grant" for qualified Ontario Seniors Centres to expand their services
- As part of the requirements, the Town of Caledon is required to provide 20% in-kind support for a total of \$33,051.56 for the year.
- The Adults 55+ Strategic Plan supports the expansion of key programs offered by the Caledon Seniors Centre through to various facilities throughout the Town

DISCUSSION

In May 2018, through Staff Report #2018-53, Council supported the enhancement of older adult programming by providing in-kind support to the Caledon Seniors' Centre (CSC) to expand their services beyond the Rotary Place in Bolton. The CSC Satellite Expansion pilot project was designed to offer Satellite programs in the rural communities of Caledon. Funded by the Ministry of Seniors' Affairs "Seniors Active Living Centre's Grant" in April 2018, the project successfully offered programs in Caledon East, Caledon Village, Southfields, Inglewood and Alton in it's first year.

Since it's launch in July 2018 the programs have steadily been gaining popularity. An average forty residents attend the various locations on a weekly basis; Southfields and Inglewood being the most successful.

The CSC applied for the Seniors Active Living Centre's Grant for the 2019-2020 non-profit fiscal year (April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020) and intends to apply for this funding on an annual basis. The Recreation Division will continue to partner with the CSC by providing facility space at no charge for as long as the CSC successfully secures the grant funding. Space allocated for the grant's purpose is based on availability and community need as assessed by Recreation Staff.

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The programs will continue five days a week in five different locations, one program per day in addition to the Caledon Seniors Centre regularly scheduled programs held at Rotary Place in Bolton. The programs will take place from Monday to Friday between the times of 9:00am and 4:00pm.

The CSC has a twenty year history in providing innovative programming for older adults. Located at the Rotary Place in Bolton there are close to 1,000 members from all over Caledon and surrounding municipalities. By continuing to expand the CSC program model to the rural communities, quality and consistent services will be available to residents without having to drive into urban center's which ultimately support the Adults 55+ Strategic Plan.

Staff will continue to support this initiative until the grant is no longer available. Each year staff will adjust the programs to meet the demands of the residents. This will allow some fluctuations to the in-kind support from year to year. As long as the amount of the in-kind is within the approved subsidy by Council no further report will be required going forward unless the grant is not received.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As part of the "Seniors Active Living Centre's Grant", the Town of Caledon is requested to provide a minimum of 20% of the total grant amount in the form of in kind services. In this case, facility space at no charge. During the 2018-2019 pilot years the Town of Caledon provided \$24,582.96 of in-kind support.

At the time of the renewal, the estimated amount for the in-kind support is \$33,051.56 for the 2019-2020 year. Please note that the increase in the 2019-2020 amounts is accounted for as the initial programs were delayed from April 2018 and didn't start until July 2018. This year's programming will start in April 2019 to March 2020. The offering of these in-kind services are not expected to cause significant budget implications since the in-kind services offered are during non-peak room rental times. By partnering with the CSC and providing facility space for programming at no charge, the Recreation Division is expecting to continue to be able to meet the Council-approved subsidy requirement (2019 – 47% tax subsidy).

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Details are shown below in Table A:

Table A: Facility Space - In-Kind Support

CONTRIBUTION	DETAILS (Year 2)	EST. Year 2 In-kind Value	Year 1 In-Kind Value
Caledon East Community Complex – Lion's Den	41 weeks x 1 day/week x 7 hours/day	\$6,413.75	\$5,130.37
Inglewood Community Room	46 weeks x 1 day/week x 5 hours/day	\$4,781.35	\$3,219.08
Alton Community Room and Library	50 weeks x 1 day/week x 7 hours/day	\$7,268.73	\$6,169.26
Caledon Village Community Room	50 weeks x 1 day/week x 7 hours/day	\$7,268.73	\$5,573.89
Mayfield West Storefront Space	50 weeks x 1 day/week x 5.5 hours/day	\$ 5,709.00	\$2,880.37
Caledon Senior Centre Newsletter	Additional copies	\$410.00	\$410.00
Town of Caledon – Staff Hours	Marketing and Promotional Support; Salary and Benefits	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
TOTAL		\$33,051.56	\$24,582.96

Staff recommend that through this grant (Seniors' Active Living Centre's), should the programs continue to be successful in nature and ongoing funding is available by applying to the Ministry of Senior Affairs the Town will continue to support the program in future years with in-kind support.

COUNCIL WORK PLAN

Recreation - To establish and implement a collective community vision for the allocation of parks, facilities and recreation in the Town.

ATTACHMENTS

N/A