
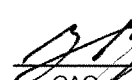


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COUNCIL REPORT

Date: June 10, 2010 File: 0116-20-CGC1
From: Cathy Matheson and Leanne Sexsmith, Staff Liaisons – Community Grants Committee
Subject: **Community Grants Committee 2009 Annual Report and 2010 Work Plan**

RECOMMENDED THAT:

The report dated June 10, 2010 regarding the Community Grants Committee 2009 Annual Report and Work Plan for 2010 be received for information.

Purpose

To provide Council with the Community Grants Committee's 2009 Annual Report and 2010 Workplan.

1.0 Background

The Grants Committee is a Select Committee of Council and provides recommendations to Council on Community Grants: Community and Social Services; Arts and Culture; and Youth Competition and Recognition.

The Terms of Reference of the Committee task it with the responsibility to adjudicate the 2010 Community Grant applications and make recommendations to Council.

2010 Committee:

Ed Collins, Ieva Cornford, Pattie Donnelly (Co-Chair), Karen Duffek (Co-Chair), Richard Loat, Bryony Reid, Zarrin Sadeghi, Sonja Sanguinetti, Cecil Scantland, Coral Winfield

Councillor Trish Panz (Council Representative), Cathy Matheson and Leanne Sexsmith (Staff Liaisons) and Pam Jones (Admin Assistant).

2.0 Policy

The District of West Vancouver General Council Committee Policy requires that Committees submit an annual report summarizing their activities over the past year together with a work plan for the following year.

3.0 Balanced Scorecard

3.1 Corporate Objective

The Community Grants program is an essential strategy in helping residents of West Vancouver equitably access resources, services and programs they need and desire. The program aligns to three Corporate Objectives: Civic Responsibility (Community Perspective), Economic Stability (Community Perspective), and Measure Service Costs (Financial Perspective).

3.2 Strategic Initiatives

BSC 4.3.1 - Measure Service Costs (Financial Perspective): "Develop ongoing awareness internally and externally of the costs and value of the District's various services."

3.3. 2010 Milestone

BSC 4.3.1c - "Evaluate and administer a cost effective community grants program and process."

4.0 Analysis

4.1 Discussion

2009 Annual Report

- Arts & Culture Grants: reviewed applications and recommended:
 - 2 Community (Professional Standard or Staff)
 - 8 Community Arts Organizations (Amateur with Membership)
 - 10 Community (Professional Standard & Staff)
 - 4 new applicants

- Social Services and Community Services Grants: reviewed new applications and accountability forms and recommended:
 - Specialized Support Services: 7 in the second year of a three year funding cycle and 13 commencing a three year funding cycle
 - Family Support Services: 6 in the second year of a three year funding cycle and 6 commencing a three year funding cycle
 - Seniors Support Services: 7 in the second year of a three year funding cycle
 - Community Services: 5 in the second year of a three year funding cycle and 1 commencing a three year funding cycle

- Youth Competition and Recognition Fund: reviewed applications and recommended 5 grants.


4.2 Sustainability

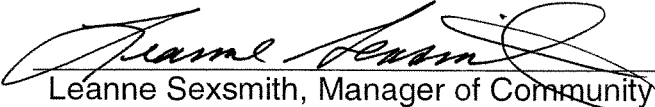
The Community Grants program contributes to social sustainability by assisting non-profit agencies that support the development of the cultural sector in West Vancouver, or address social needs and promote community development resulting in positive social change for West Vancouver residents. The financial assistance provided through the program supports the economic sustainability of these organizations. This promotes a healthy, caring, creative community where residents have access to services that maintain or improve their quality of life and promote full participation in community life.

4.3 Consultation

Proposed Work Plan for 2010

The Community Grants Committee reviewed and supported the 2010 Work Plan at their April 23, 2010 meeting (see attached 2010 Work Plan).

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Appendix A – Community Grants Committee 2010 Work Plan

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**Community Grants Committee
2010 Work Plan**

Appendix A

Initiative 1: Make Recommendations to Council on 2010 Arts and Culture Grants.

Intent: *To assist in allocating Council's Community Grants, according to Council Policy.*

Actions/Timeline:

- i. Review 2010 Applications (April)
- ii. Make Recommendations (May)
- iii. Report to Council (Scheduled for June 7 Council)

Members/Lead: Arts and Culture Subcommittee / Cathy Matheson

Initiative 2: Make Recommendations to Council on 2010 Community and Social Services Grants.

Intent: *To assist in allocating Council's Community Grants, according to Council Policy.*

Actions/Timeline:

- i. Review 2009 accountability forms and make recommendations for repeat funding for organizations mid way through three year funding cycle. (April)
- ii. Develop a proposed process and criteria for remaining one time 2010 funding for Council consideration: budget amounts; special criteria/focus for 2010, application process, and review process. (May) – *note: longer term recommendations for changes in budget allocations will be made in conjunction with Initiative 3 (Policy Framework Review).*
- iii. Report to Council on both the above actions (June 21 Council)
- iv. With Council direction from June 21, initiate possible process for applications for remaining 2010 funding (July – Sept).

Members/Lead: Community and Social Services Subcommittee / Leanne Sexsmith

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Initiative 3: Review and Update the 2003 Community Grants Policy (A Framework for Action)

Intent: *To ensure the policy is current, effective, supportive and relevant to current processes and community objectives.*

Actions/Timeline:

- i. Review existing policy and identify areas requiring updating or possible changes (June)
- ii. Collect additional background to inform discussions where needed; review in the context of the District's Strategic Plan, the Blueprint for Social Responsibility and Change, community needs/priorities, non-profit perspective, North Shore context and partnerships (July)
- iii. Finalize recommended policy framework modifications (Sept)
- iv. Bring forward recommendations Council (October)
- v. Implement new Policy Framework for 2011 Community Grants (Nov)

Members/Lead: Committee as a Whole

Initiative 4: Make Recommendations on Youth Competition and Recognition Grants

Intent: *To assist in allocating Council's Community Grants, according to Council Policy.*

Actions/Timeline:

- i. Review applications quarterly and make recommendations (ongoing)

Members/Lead: Youth Subcommittee / Leanne Sexsmith

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Initiative 5: Increase the profile, effectiveness and access to the Youth Competition and Recognition Grants

Intent: *To maximize opportunities for youth to access and benefit from this fund.*

Actions/Timeline:

- i. Review existing process, criteria and communications for Youth Grants (May)
- ii. Collect additional background to inform discussions where needed; review in the context of the District's Strategic Plan and the Youth Services Review (June/July)
- iii. Consult with broader community and Youth Services Review Working Group for input where needed; consider opportunities to tie into youth awards (Aug/Sept)
- iv. Make recommendations to Council on any proposed changes (Oct)

Members/Lead: Youth Subcommittee / Leanne Sexsmith

Initiative 6: Participate in Workshop with Community Non-profit Agencies on Funding and Service Re-alignment in the Non-profit Sector – Community Based Strategies

Intent: *To understand key funding and service challenges facing non-profit sector and new strategies for addressing them*

Actions/Timeline:

- i. Review background material on this initiative to understand current challenges and opportunities in the non-profit sector (April)
- ii. Participate in North Shore Workshop with Community Non-profits to increase understanding and awareness (May/June)
- iii. Consider workshop findings in the context of the Community Grants Policy Framework Review (Initiative 3) and other Grant recommendations (Initiative 2). (July-Sept)

Members/Lead: Committee as a whole

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