Department: Corporate Services Report Number: F2025-04

Business Unit: Finance

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Subject

Community Grants Allocation Recommendation 2025

Recommendation

That Council hereby receives report number F2025-04 "Community Grants Allocation Recommendation 2025" for information;

And that Council directs staff to allocate the Community Grant as recommended in Appendix A.

Background

Every year, the Town of Erin accepts applications from community organizations to access funds from the Community Grant budget of \$30,000. The <u>Community Grant Policy</u> is used to select members of the Community Grants Committee and as a guide to select recipient organizations. For the year 2025, the appointed committee members are Mayor Dehn, Councillor Cheyne, the CAO, the Director of Community Services, and the Director of Finance and Treasurer. The committee members evaluated the applications under the principles set out in the Community Grant Policy.

For 2025, the Town received 22 applications for a total of \$36,508.50 in grant requests. The submissions were reviewed by the Community Grants Committee. Based on the eligibility and application criteria set out in the policy, the Committee recommend utilizing \$27,500 of the \$30,000 budget and allocating to 19 of the applicants, as per the listing in Appendix A.

Two of the applicants did not meet the eligibility criteria.

- Elora Cataract Trailway Association requested funding for maps that were already provided by Credit Valley Conservation and the Grand River Conservation Authority.
- Longrun Retirement Society requested funding for a building extension for retired horses.

Note: The Erin District Lions Club had 2 applications that were combined as one grant, The Santa Claus Parade and The Walk for Dog Guides.

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Financial Impact

The 2025 budget contains \$30,000 available for distribution to community organizations and recommendations in Appendix A are within the spending limit.

Conclusion

That Council receives report F2025-04 "Community Grants Allocation Recommendation 2025" for information and direct staff to distribute proceeds and per the listing in Appendix A.

Attachments Appendix A – 2025 Community Grant Recommendations	
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