

TO: Members of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee

(ACHAC)

FROM: Ken Doherty, Director of Community Services

MEETING DATE: February 10, 2011

SUBJECT: Report ACHAC11-005

Community Grants

PURPOSE

A report to provide the Committee with information on Community Grants.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC11-005 dated February 10, 2011 of the Director of Community Services as follows:

That the presentation on Community Grants be received for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Approval of the recommendation in Report ACHAC11-005 will not have any budgetary or financial implications.

BACKGROUND

The ways in which the City provides funding to external organizations were reviewed in 2007. This comprehensive review led to the revision of the Community Grant Program.

There are now three different types of grants available, including:

- i) **Community Project Grants** (seed money or support for a specific project for which the amount requested is \$250 \$1000);
- ii) **Community Investment Grants** (project and special events, specific programs or operating budgets for which the amount requested is \$1000 \$15,000); and
- iii) **Community Service Grants** (for municipally mandated services, amounts greater than \$15,000. Not available through application process as agreements are initiated by the City of Peterborough. See Reports to Council for more information).

The purpose of the City Community Grants program is to provide financial assistance to not-for-profit, community-based organizations that provide direct programs, services, and/or activities that enhance the quality of life for Peterborough residents in the areas of social services and health, arts, culture, heritage, recreation, or the environment.

Beginning in 2011 there will be an online application portal for Community Projects Grants and Community Investment Grants. The deadline to submit an application is February 25.

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