



City of
Peterborough

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

FROM: Becky Rogers, Manager, Arts, Culture & Heritage

MEETING DATE: January 9, 2014

SUBJECT: Report ACHAC14-001
Greater Peterborough's Vital Signs® 2013

Purpose

A report to introduce a presentation on the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough's (CFGP) Vital Signs® initiative by Laurel Atkinson, Program Coordinator, CFGP.

Recommendation

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC14-001, dated January 9, 2014 of the Manager, Arts, Culture & Heritage Division, as follows:

That the Vital Signs® presentation by Laurel Atkinson be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough is a part of Canada's Community Foundations. Community vitality has been the purpose, promise, and passion of the Community Foundations of Canada (CFC) since 1921, when they started connecting donors to community needs and opportunities.

The dream of creating a community foundation for the Peterborough region began in 2006 as an initiative of the Peterborough Affordable Housing Foundation (PAHF) when they decided to expand their mandate to better serve the needs of the County and City of Peterborough. In 2009, the Peterborough Affordable Housing Foundation (PAHF) changed its name to the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough, and in June of that year, the founding Board of Directors was appointed. The goal of the CFGP is to recognize the unique interests and needs of the growing community, and provide a permanent, endowed fund that could be used to improve the health and vitality of the City and County of Peterborough, both for today and for the future.

The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough released the first Greater Peterborough's Vital Signs Report in 2013. Vital Signs® is a collaborative community initiative designed to measure the vitality of the region, identify needs and strengths, and support actions that are critical to the community's quality of life. In 2013, six subject areas were chosen: Arts and Culture; Community Involvement; Employment; Environment; Food Security; and, Health and Wellness. Future reports will build on these initial subject areas.

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Appendix A - Greater Peterborough's Vital Signs 2013