

Agenda Item: 6.8

Request for Decision

Title 2022 Community Grant and Family & Community Support Services Grant Allocations **Proposed Motion** 1. That Council approve the Calahoo-Villeneuve Sand and Gravel Advisory Committee recommendation to award the 2022 Community Grants in the amount of \$165,731 to the community groups identified in Attachment 1 from the Community Enhancement Reserve A-ASP Groups. 2. That Council approve the Community Services Advisory Board recommendation to award the 2022 Community Grants to the community groups identified in Attachment 2 in the amount of \$150,892, with \$107,609 in funding from Community Enhancement Reserve B – Recognized Community Groups and \$43,283 from the grants to organizations. 3. That Council approve the Community Services Advisory Board recommendation to award the 2022 Family & Community Support Services Grant in the amount of \$15,000 from 2022 budget as identified in Attachment 3. Administrative Administration recommends that Council award the grants as recommended by the Calahoo-Villeneuve Sand and Gravel Advisory Recommendation Committee and the Community Services Advisory Board. These recommendations were debated and supported by both Council Committees during their respective meetings in March 2022. Previous Council / December 14, 2021, Regular Council Meeting Committee Motion 549/21: That Council approve the proposed 2022 Operating and **Direction** Capital Budget as amended by motions passed on November 30, 2021. **Background Information** Report The deadline to apply for a 2022 Sturgeon County grant was February 7, 2022. Among the various grant streams, 29 volunteer organizations submitted applications and \$437,223 in funding was requested.

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recommending approval of the full amount.

(CVSGAC) received \$14,200 in requests for Operating Funding and is

- The CVSGAC received \$151,531 in requests for Capital Enhancement Funding and is recommending approval of the full amount. The total of both operating and capital funding recommendations is \$165,731. This leaves a balance of \$95,269 to remain in Capital Enhancement Reserves A-ASP (see Attachment 1).
- The Community Services Advisory Board (CSAB) received \$64,025 in requests for Operating Funding and is recommending approval of the full amount.
- The CSAB received \$192,467 in requests for Capital Enhancement Funding and is recommending approval of \$86,867. The total of both operating and capital funding recommendation is \$150,892. This leaves a balance of \$22,892 to be remain in Community Enhancement Reserves B- Recognized Community Groups (see Attachment 2).
- The Community Services Advisory Board (CSAB) recommends that the Sturgeon Agriplex pursue a Community Facility Enhancement (CFEP) grant or other grant for the addition to their facility and to approach the Community Services Advisory Board (CSAB) to bring forward a recommendation to Council for support with matching dollars should they be successful.
- The CSAB also received \$15,000 in requests for Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) funding and is recommending approval of \$15,000 (see Attachment 3).

External Communication

 Grant funding provided to community groups will be promoted through the County's website and social media.

Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:

- Municipal Government Act, section 248 Expenditure of Money
- Bylaw 1517/20 Council Committees Bylaw
- Bylaw 1400/18 Community Aggregate Payment Levy Bylaw
- Community Grant Policy
- Family and Community Support Services Grant Policy

Implication of Administrative Recommendation

Strategic Alignment:

Collaborative Governance – Citizens are engaged (through committees) as active participants in municipal governance, representing the broader community.

Thriving Communities – The Community Grant and FCSS Grant Programs demonstrate the County's commitment to actively supporting and working in collaboration with voluntary organizations in the region.

Organizational:

None.

Financial:

A portion of the grant funding allocated by the Community Services Advisory Board is approved from taxes as part of the annual operating budget and the balance is available from the gravel levy collected in the previous year.

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As per the Community Grant Policy, the gravel levy collected is available to fund the recommendations of the Calahoo-Villeneuve Sand and Gravel Advisory Committee. **Alternatives** The recommendations were deliberated by the CVSGAC and CSAB. There Considered are no alternatives that Administration considered out of respect for the effort and commitment of the committees and their mandates. Implications of Strategic Alignment: **Alternatives** It is important to support meaningful involvement of Council committees. The committees have been delegated the authority through bylaw and policy to review the grant applications and make their recommendations to Council. Organizational: None. Financial: None. **Follow up Action** Issue cheques to the community associations (Family and Community Support Services, April 2022). 2. Prepare reserve transfers for financial reporting (Family and Community Support Services, April 2022). 3. Complete any funding agreements as required with community organizations (Family and Community Support Services, April 2022). Attachment(s) 1. Attachment 1: Calahoo-Villeneuve Sand and Gravel Advisory Committee **Grant Recommendations** 2. Attachment 2: Community Services Advisory Board Grant Community **Group Grant Recommendations** 3. Attachment 3: Community Services Advisory Board Grant Community **Support Services Grant Recommendations** 4. Attachment 4: Community Grant Policy 5. Attachment 5: Family and Community Support Services Grant Policy Marg Clark, Acting Manager, Family & Community Support Services **Report Reviewed** by:

Reegan McCullough, County Commissioner - CAO

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Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: Offering a rich tapestry of historical, cultural, and natural experiences, Sturgeon County is a municipality that honours its rural roots and cultivates desirable communities. Uniquely situated to provide world-class agricultural, energy, and business investment opportunities, the County prioritizes responsible stewardship and dreaming big.

Guiding Principles: Collaboration | Accountability | Flexibility | Excellence | Safety | Future Readiness | Affordability | Innovation

Community Outcome	Not consistent	Consistent	N/A
Planned Growth			
• Internationally competitive to attract, grow and sustain diverse businesses; tenacious focus on new growth and innovation			×
Modern broadband and digital capabilities			\boxtimes
Low cost, minimal red-tape regulations			
Reliable and effective infrastructure planning; comprehensive land use and infrastructure planning			×
Thriving Communities			
Beautiful, surprising places with high standards; integrated natural spaces & trail systems; healthy and resilient		×	
Engaging cultural, historical, and civic amenities; strong community identity and pride		×	
Safe, welcoming, and diverse communities; small community feel and personal connection; commitment to high quality of life		×	
Environmental Stewardship			
 Clean air, land, and water; Carbon neutral municipal practices; circular economy opportunities 			⋈
 Conservation of natural areas and agricultural lands; enhanced greening and biodiversity; safekeeping ecosystems 			\boxtimes
Sustainable development; partnerships with industry and others to drive emission reductions			×
Collaborative Governance			
Predictable and stable external relationships; volunteer partnerships		⊠	
Meaningful connections with Indigenous communities			×
Ongoing community consultation and engagement; transparent and action-oriented decision making based on sound rationale			⊠
Respectful and informed debate; clear and supportive governance processes			⋈
Operational Excellence			
 Engaged and effective people – Council, Admin and Volunteers; continuous learning and improvement mindset; nimble and bold, with strong leadership 			×
 Quality cost-effective service delivery; robust procurement and operational practices and policies; asset management and performance measurement; careful debt and reserve stewardship; long-term financial planning and sustainability 			⊠
Future focused thinking to proactively respond to emerging opportunities and challenges			×
Alternative revenue generation and service delivery models integrated strategic and business planning			\boxtimes