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Town of Aurora
Information Report
No. CS21-069

Subject: Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee – Funding Allocation

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Department: Corporate Services

Date: September 7, 2021

In accordance with the Procedure By-law, any Member of Council may request that this Information Report be placed on an upcoming General Committee or Council meeting agenda for discussion.

Executive Summary

This report is to fulfill the requirement to identify the Mayor's Golf Classic Committee's allocation of funds from the Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic.

- The Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee was established to disburse funds raised from the Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic
- To date, the Committee has awarded \$42,400 to various organizations and individuals
- The COVID-19 pandemic was cited as a source of financial hardship in many applications

Background

The Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee was established to disburse funds raised from the Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic

The Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee was established on September 10, 2019 and tasked with disbursing funds raised by the Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic.

In 2019, the Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic raised over \$68,000 for community organizations that service Aurora and families in need. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the event was not held in 2020.

Analysis

To date, the Committee has awarded \$42,400 to various organizations and individuals

As of July 20, 2021 the Committee has awarded \$42,400 to various groups and organizations that service the Town of Aurora. The funds are awarded to organizations and individuals that meet the fundraising criteria and guidelines provided in Attachment 1. Table 1 details the disbursement of funds.

Table 1
Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee Funding Allocation

Meeting Date	Applicant	Amount Received
12/5/19	All Kids Can Play Program	\$5,000
	Youthspeak	\$4,400
7/30/20	Abuse Hurts	\$2,500
	Welcoming Arms	\$5,000
	Women's Centre of York Region	\$3,000
	The Salvation Army of York Region	\$2,500
	Kinark Child and Family Services* (confidential)	\$3,000
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	York Region Rose of Sharon	\$5,000
5/27/21	Shine Through the Rain Foundation	\$3,000
6/24/21	All Kids Can Play Program	\$3,000
7/20/21	Kinark Child and Family Services* (confidential)	\$3,000
Total		\$42,400

* Kinark Child and Family Services submits applications on behalf of individuals and families in need.

The COVID-19 pandemic was cited as a source of financial hardship in many applications

The COVID-19 pandemic was cited as a source of financial hardship in many applications as traditional fundraising campaigns were postponed or cancelled. Additionally, funds from the 2019 Golf Classic were also used by the Aurora Cares Community Action Team to aid citizens affected by the pandemic (Table 2).

Advisory Committee Review

None

Legal Considerations

The Committee Terms of Reference states that Council will be provided with a report of funding allocation on an annual basis for information. This report satisfies this requirement.

Financial Implications

The Mayor's Golf Classic raised a total of \$68,686 from its 2019 event; these funds were provided to the Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee for disbursement. Table 2 provides a continuity summary of how these funds have been disbursed to date.

Table 2
Continuity Summary of Mayor's Golf Classic Fund Balance

Item	Balance
Opening balance	68,686
Disbursements to applicants	(42,400)
Disbursement to Community Cares Task Force	(8,094)
Current balance	18,192

Communications Considerations

There are no external communications considerations associated with this report.

Link to Strategic Plan

The disbursement of funds to the community supports **Supporting an exceptional quality of life for all** by providing funding to residents and organizations that support the residents of Aurora.

Alternative(s) to the Recommendation

None.

Conclusions

The Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee has disbursed over \$42,000 to residents and organizations that service the Town. The next Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic will be held on September 29, 2021.

Attachments

Attachment No. 1 – Application to Receive Funds

Previous Reports

None.

Pre-submission Review

Agenda Management Team review on August 19, 2021

Approvals

Approved by Techa Van Leeuwen, Director, Corporate Services

Approved by Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer



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Application to Receive Funds

Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic

Attachment 1

The Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic has raised over \$750,000 to date and has financially assisted several community organizations to provide much needed services to residents living in the Town of Aurora.

Recipient selection is conducted annually by the application review and disbursement committee of the Town of Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic and is based on the information provided in this application. Please submit completed application to the Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic at clerks@aurora.ca

Funding Criteria and guidelines;

- Individual applicants and community groups must demonstrate financial hardship or a limited means to retain funds in another manner. Individual applications demonstrating financial hardship will be kept confidential.
- Individuals and organizations may not receive funding for more than two consecutive years.
- Funding requests for more than \$5,000 in a calendar year will not be accepted.
- Funding requests for more than 50% of an initiative will not be considered and applicants must demonstrate how the remaining funds will be or have been obtained
- Applications should demonstrate a benefit to the residents of the Town of Aurora that receiving the funding will provide
- Successful applicants will be required to report back in any way they deem appropriate regarding the utilization of funds within six (6) months of receiving funds

Name of Individual or Community Group

Address

Contact Information

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

On a separate document, please outline your initiative and any supporting documentation you have. The information being provided should align with the funding criteria guidelines found above. Please attach this form with the supporting information and email to clerks@aurora.ca