



2023 Guidelines

Small Project Matching Grant Program

Grant applications are due Tuesday, August 17, 2023 by 4:30 pm



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OVERVIEW

The Small Project Matching Grants Program (SPMG) provides funds to *Registered Groups* in good standing with the City of Mississauga's <u>Community Group Registry Program Policy (08-01-01)</u>. Eligible projects will strengthen neighbourhoods, increase resident engagement, and enhance opportunities for Mississauga residents to participate in events and activities at the neighbourhood level.

The summer intake of the Small Project Matching Grant invites applications from organizations who wish to deliver community projects between **September 1, 2023 and March 31, 2024**. The initial intake for 2023 SPMG occurred in the fall of 2022, and the spring intake occurred in April of 2023. Please note that if you already received a City of Mississauga grant for 2023, you are not eligible for the summer intake of the SPMG.

An amount from \$250-\$2,500 can be requested to support a specific <u>new</u> initiative that is outside of the normal range of activity for the applicant that can be implemented and completed between September 1, 2023 and March 31, 2024. Applicants are required to match funds requested from the City with the equivalent value of volunteer time (\$15.50/hour – minimum wage as of October 2022) and/or other in-kind donations or funds.

The deadline for the 2023 summer intake of the Small Project Matching Grants program is Tuesday August 17, 2023, at 4:30pm.

The program aligns with the strategic priorities of the Recreation Division and Parks, Forestry and Environment Division, including the <u>Recreation Master Plan</u>, <u>Older Adult Plan for Recreation</u>, <u>Youth Plan for Recreation</u>, <u>Urban Agriculture Strategy</u>, <u>Parks and Forestry Master Plan</u>, <u>Climate Change Action Plan</u>, and contributes to advancing the <u>City's strategic priorities</u>; Move, Belong, Connect, Prosper and Green.

The SMPG can help you:

- Offset the costs of your winter 2024 event related to Black History Month, International Women's Day, and more
- Connect with your members and stakeholders
- Cover or offset the costs of facility rentals for your free programming
- Outreach and engage new people in your activities, especially those that may face barriers to participation
- Implement a project in partnership with another organization

Looking for inspiration? Please see examples of past projects in Appendix B.

Applicants must be in good standing with the Community Group Registry Program at the time of application. If you have any questions about your status please contact <u>community.group@mississauga.ca</u>.

Groups that are not currently registered can complete a Statement of Interest Form at <u>www.mississauga.ca/communitygroups</u>. Note that new registrations can take up to 6 weeks to process so please keep this timeline in mind when considering an application to the Small Projects Matching Grant Program.

Equity Statement

The City of Mississauga is committed to equity and inclusion. We welcome and encourage applications from all qualified organizations. We continuously seek to improve access to our programs and ensure grant applications are received from diverse and under-represented Mississauga communities. We recognize the diversity of the people of Mississauga and encourage the communities to provide feedback on how this grant program can better meet the needs of Mississauga residents.

ELIGIBILITY

The *Small Project Matching Grants Program* is only open to *Registered Groups* that are in good standing with the City (e.g. no outstanding debts to the City and status has been renewed annually) under the <u>Community Group Registry Program policy (08-01-01)</u>. Applicants must be:

- ✓ Not-for-profit community groups based and active in Mississauga (note: groups that qualify for "Regional Status" in the Community Group Registry Program are still eligible for funding, provided 100% of the awarded grant funds are allocated to programming/services for Mississauga residents);
- Providing programs and services open to the public and extending the variety and choice of programs and services for Mississauga residents;
- ✓ Providing programs and services that are aligned with demonstrated needs of residents and the strategic priorities of the Recreation and Parks, Forestry & Environment Divisions;
- Project must be outside of the normal range of activity for the applicant (e.g. a new or pilot initiative). Please note groups may not apply for the same project that was funded in a previous year through the SPMG program. Groups may choose to review other granting opportunities from other Funders for future funding of their initiative;
- \checkmark Applicant has not received funding from the City within the same calendar year;
- ✓ Applicant can provide <u>signed</u> financial statements from their last Annual General Meeting;
- ✓ Project is open to all residents;
- \checkmark Maximum of \$2,500 can be requested from the City;
- ✓ Applicants are required to indicate how they will match funds requested from the City (\$250-\$2,500) with the equivalent value of volunteer time (\$15.50/hour – minimum wage as of October, 2022) and/or other in-kind or cash contributions;
- \checkmark Project will be completed and funding will be spent by March 21, 2024.

Items and activities that are eligible for funding include:

- ✓ Supplies and materials
- ✓ Recreation equipment such as Balls, Hockey sticks, nets, bicycles, etc. (The equipment must remain with and be stored by the Registered Group)
- ✓ Facility rentals and permits (City facilities are subject to availability)
- ✓ Equipment rental (City equipment is subject to availability)
- ✓ IT related costs (e.g. software, streaming platforms, etc.)
- ✓ Audio/visual costs

- Marketing and promotions
- ✓ Food & refreshments for participants
- ✓ Entertainment & speakers
- ✓ Security, policing and First Aid costs

Applications Sponsored by Registered Groups

Applications may be submitted by informal groups of residents or other community groups if the **project is sponsored** by a Registered Group in good standing with the City at the time of application (i.e. no outstanding debts to the City and status has been renewed annually.) Registered Groups that have agreed to act as a sponsor may sponsor up to two SPMG applications per year, and the sponsoring group is responsible for ensuring the application is submitted and completing the final report. Groups that currently receive funding from a City grant program are still eligible to sponsor an application as they do not directly benefit.

The sponsoring organization will then be required to:

- i) Submit the online application on behalf of the project team (or ensure its completion);
- ii) Act as a Trustee for the funding; and
- iii) Complete the online final report form on behalf of the project team following the completion of the project.

Sponsor organizations may not charge a fee for their sponsorship or collect any of the awarded funding for the project in their role as a Trustee. Sponsor organizations can only sponsor two applications to the Small Project Matching Grants Program for 2023 however, limited exceptions may be considered. If approved, sponsor organizations may only sponsor one group at a time – until project completion. City of Mississauga Business Improvement Associations (BIAs) may apply either as a primary applicant or sponsor another organization.

INELIGIBILITY

Grants are **not available** for:

- Groups that currently receive funding from a City grant program or has activities funded by other City of Mississauga subsidies. Groups that currently receive funding from a City grant program are still eligible to sponsor an application if they do not directly benefit.
- Activities delivered within an event or program that is currently receiving funding or other support from the City.
- Activities that are occurring within a larger planned event/activity with a budget over \$10,000.
- Events or programs that are already receiving support through another group's SPMG grant.
- Groups that are not a Registered Group in good standing with the City, unless sponsored by such a group.
- * Activities that take place outside of Mississauga and do not benefit Mississauga residents
- * Activities that take place on private residential property.
- Activities that will be delivered to/for the following ineligible groups: Government agencies, for-profit organizations, educational institutions such as part of a school, college or university curriculum, school councils, commercial ventures, or organizations aligned with a political party.
- Activities that are within the normal range of activity for the applicant and/or were previously funded through the SPMG program.
- **×** Volunteer appreciation.
- ★ Prize and/or Award Ceremonies.

Items and activities **not eligible** for funding include:

- **×** Existing programs and services.
- * Organizational operating costs.
- ***** Staff salaries and consulting fees.
- * Projects occurring on private residences.
- **×** Fundraising projects.
- **×** Volunteer/staff appreciation.
- * Activities that charge an admission or registration fee.
- * Promotion of a political party or election candidate.
- **×** Commercial ventures.
- **×** Granting programs.
- ★ Deficit reduction funding and/or accumulated deficits.
- **×** Travel and accommodation.
- **×** Conference or membership fees.
- * Banquets, trophies or awards presentations.
- Activities that begin before the applications approval or ends after the current calendar year.
- ★ Expenses accruing prior to the current granting cycle.
- Major capital expenditures (such as the purchase of land, buildings, building renovations, machinery and vehicles).

- Projects where participation is conditional upon partaking in the religious activities of the organization.
- Organizations or activities that the City deems may promote discrimination, as defined by the Ontario Human Rights Code and that are not inclusive.

The City does not fund retroactively. If groups choose to start a project or otherwise commit funds before knowing that a grant application has been approved, the City is under no obligation to provide funding.

Special Note on Facility Bookings: An applicant can pay for a rental contract at a City Facility in advance of their project application to ensure space is available. The Registered Group can then be refunded for the costs through their SPMG – if approved. Registered Groups are to assume the risk for any contract cancellations. This exception is only applicable to City Facility rentals and contracts.

Organizations that failed to meet the Terms and Conditions of grant assistance in previous funding years are not eligible to apply (ex. Failure to submit a Final Report.)

The 2023 Small Project Matching Grants program will accept applications from eligible organizations from July 10, 2023 until August 17, 2023, 4:30pm EST.

A fully completed application form must be submitted online to the City of Mississauga's <u>Online</u> <u>Grants Portal</u>. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Applications cannot be submitted by e-mail, fax or paper copy.

Basic Steps:

- 1. Before you apply, please review the guidelines.
- Learn about key issues and opportunities in your community and how this grant could help. Talk with residents; consult with local community groups and agencies. Applicants are strongly encouraged to access the <u>Region of Peel's Neighbourhood Information Tool</u> to gain insight about the types of projects that could benefit their community.
- 3. Contact the grantsinfo@mississauga.ca to discuss your idea, confirm your eligibility, and receive an access code for our City of Mississauga online grant portal.
- 4. The person submitting the online application form on behalf of the Registered Group must be an authorized signatory of the Group and have the authority to bind it. For sponsored applications, a member of the sponsoring organization that has the authority to bind it must e-sign the application. Applications must be completed and submitted using the City of Mississauga's <u>Online Grants Portal</u>. Applications can only be submitted by Registered Groups in the capacity as a lead applicant or sponsor.
- 5. Notification: Applications will be assessed by the Grants Review Team, and groups will be notified of the outcome of their application in September, 2023. Please keep this in mind when selecting your project start date as it must be a date after the approval timeframe.
- 6. Prepare and submit your final report by April 30, 2024.

What information is required on the application form?

Applicants will be required to fill out a brief online application form that includes the following:

- <u>Contact Information</u> for the "Project Leader" (main contact for the project) and the President of the Registered Group who is leading or sponsoring the organization.
- <u>Project Information</u> including: name of the project; geographic location/neighbourhood where the project will take place; start date; end date; a description of the project and who it will serve; rationale for why the project is needed; clearly defined outcomes. These outcomes must be measurable.

- <u>Community Participation</u> including identification of the number of participants, volunteers, description of how you will create awareness and promote participation in your project.
- <u>Budget Information</u> including amount of funding requested from the City; description of how you will match the City's contribution (e.g. volunteer time/cash/other donations); completion of a budget template to outline how funds will be spent. A budget statement be signed by 2 members of the board and/or you must provide proof of board endorsement (e.g. minutes with a resolution of the board to indicate approval.)
- <u>Authorization:</u> Legally binding electronic signatures of the President and/or Executive Director of the Registered Group that is leading or sponsoring the application showing they have read and accepted the Terms and Conditions.

These Terms and Conditions become a legally binding Grant Agreement between the applicant organization and the City of Mississauga should the application be approved for funding. Please ensure you have read them thoroughly.

• <u>Financial Statement:</u> Upload your organization's signed financial statements from your last Annual General Meeting. Organizations that fail to upload signed financial documents (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) from their most recent AGM will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed.

ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Assessment Criteria

Category	Category Description	
Demonstrated Need and Rationale	 Applicant effectively describes how funding will support a demonstrated community/neighbourhood need. Alignment of the organization/project with City Priorities (see page 2.) 	
Feasibility	 The applicant has capacity to implement the project by the end of the calendar year in which funds are awarded. Scheduling for the project provides adequate lead-time for all required permissions, approvals and facility bookings. 	
Resident Engagement & Inclusivity	 Organization's programs and services are accessible to all residents regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, ability, gender, sexual orientation, and other qualities and attributes of identity. The organization strives to engage under-served communities and those who may face barriers to access in Mississauga. Effective strategies are in place to provide outreach and awareness among residents who can benefit from programs and services offered by the organization. 	

Application Review

City staff will review applications for accuracy, completeness and eligibility. An internal review committee consisting of three subject matter experts across multiple city departments will then review eligible applications. Applications that are recommended for funding by the review committee will be sent to the Director of Recreation for approval. Organizations are notified in writing of the final grant amount, following approval from the Director of Recreation.

*****Tip:** To ensure your application speaks to the assessment criteria, allow sufficient time to complete and review your application. Consider having a third party proofread your application prior to submission to ensure clarity and accuracy.

APPEALS PROCESS

An applicant may submit an appeal to grantsinfo@mississauga.ca for the Small Project Matching Grants Review Team in the case where it can be demonstrated that the information in the application was misunderstood in the assessment process. All appeals will be reviewed by the Director of Recreation. The following are not considered grounds for appeal:

- Grant application and/or required documents were not submitted by deadline or were not complete.
- Organization does not meet eligibility criteria or status in the Community Group Registry Program is not up to date.
- Change of information in the application since the grant deadline date.

PAYMENT

Small Project Matching Grants		
Grants up to \$2,500	The total funding amount is awarded in one payment. Funding must be used by March 31, 2024. Although the City aims to distribute funding in a timely manner, please note that the City cannot guarantee the delivery of funds prior to your program/event date.	

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

A final report must be submitted to the City by April 30, 2024.

Key information requested includes:

- Report on project outcomes What difference did this project make to residents/your neighbourhood? How do you know? (key results, resident testimonials, etc.).
- Overview of any challenges or unforeseen events.
- Completed financial report outlining how city funds were spent, signed by organization or sponsoring organization.
- Project expense receipts for any City funding
- Overview of next steps for the project/applicant as appropriate.
- Photos of their activity "in action" (if possible).

If a final report is not received, the organization may not be eligible for future funding from the City of Mississauga as per the Terms and Conditions of Grant Assistance.

SMALL PROJECTS GRANT PROGRAM WEBINAR

Please note the webinar is only mandatory for applicants or their representatives who have **not** been a previous recipient of funding from the City of Mississauga's Community Grant Program within the past two years. To register for a webinar, please click one of the following links. Once your registration is confirmed, you will receive an email with details on how to attend and access the webinar.

Webinar Date and Time:

Wednesday, July 26, 2023 12:00pm-1:00pm

https://mississauga.webex.com/weblink/register/r6072f01e5e5b7e5885b06ae9a1e0c7fb

Tuesday August 1st, 2023 6:00pm-7:00pm

https://mississauga.webex.com/weblink/register/r05000f432d49d45f98e00f9ab439d159

To arrange an alternative date to discuss your application please email Jennu Baskaran at Jennu.Baskaran@mississauga.ca.

INSURANCE CERTIFICATE GUIDELINES

If awarded a grant, the Recipient shall at its sole cost and expense, obtain and maintain in full force and effect at all times throughout the term or extended term(s) of the Agreement, insurance satisfactory to the City of Mississauga with financially sound and reputable insurance companies licensed to underwrite insurance in the Province of Ontario. The Recipient shall be responsible for payment of all amounts within the deductible or self-insured retention under each policy of insurance. All Insurance policies required pursuant to this clause shall be primary and shall not call into contribution any insurance available to the City. The insurance shall include but not be limited to:

a) Commercial general liability insurance in respect of the obligations and operations of The Recipient against claims for bodily injury, including personal injury and death, and property damage or loss, indemnifying and protecting The Recipient, their respective employees, servants, volunteers, agents, contractor's, invitees or licensee's, to the inclusive limit of Two Million (\$2,000,000.00) OR Five Million (\$5,000,000.00) Dollars per occurrence based on the City's assessment of risk. Such insurance shall specifically state by its wording or by endorsement that the following extensions of coverage are included:

- i. the City of Mississauga is included as additional insured under the policy with respect to the operations and obligations of The Recipient as outlined in this application;
- ii. contractual liability, non-owned automobile liability, owner's and contractor's protective liability, products and completed operations coverage, contingent employer's liability, and employees as additional insured's;
- a cross-liability clause which shall have the effect of insuring each person, firm or corporation named in the policy as an insured in the same manner and to the same extent as if a separate policy had been issued to each;
- iv. if applicable, Abusive Acts Liability;
- v. a waiver of subrogation rights which the insurers may have against the City of Mississauga and against those for whom it is in law responsible.

Prior to funding being awarded the Recipient shall deliver to the City a City of Mississauga Certificate of Insurance Form, completed by an authorized representative of the insurer, evidencing the insurance required. Depending on your project, \$2,000,000 or \$5,000,000 may be required. City staff will inform you of the amount of insurance required. A PDF fillable Certificate of Insurance form can be obtained at <u>mississauga.ca/portal/residents/facilityinsurance</u>. Affiliated Groups that have the appropriate third party liability insurance, provided by the City of Mississauga, for their project, will not be required to complete this form.

APPENDIX A: TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF GRANT ASSISTANCE

Please note; if your organization (the "Recipient") receives a grant, the following conditions will apply. Receipt of a grant in one year does not guarantee funding in the following fiscal year.

- 1. Pursuant to the current terms and conditions, The Corporation of the City of Mississauga (the "City") may demand the repayment of all or part of the financial assistance provided if:
 - a) the Recipient makes misrepresentations in its application for financial assistance or otherwise to the City, or if the funds are not used for the project or programs as described in the application;
 - b) the programs, services or projects proposed in the Recipient's application are not commenced in a timely manner, or not completed within the fiscal year for which the funding was intended for and there remain City funds on hand, or completed without requiring the total grant award allocated;
 - c) the Recipient ceases operating or dissolves;
 - d) the Recipient ceases to operate as a non-profit organization;
 - e) the Recipient merges or amalgamates with any other party;
 - f) the Recipient breaches any of the terms and conditions of the grant assistance; or,
 - g) the Recipient breaches any of the provisions of the Ontario Human rights code, or any other applicable legislation, regulations, or by-laws in its operations.
 - h) The Recipient fails to fulfil the requirements of grant assistance stipulated or accepted by the City, including, failing to fulfill its obligations set out in its application.
- 2. It is the responsibility of the Recipient to notify the Grants Coordinator of the occurrence of any of the grounds for which the City may demand repayment of the financial assistance provided (listed in Term #1 above) and/or if there are any changes in the funding of the project from that contemplated in the application.
- 3. The Grant shall only be used for the purposes outlined in your application subject to City approval. Any changes to the purpose of use of the Grant shall only be made with City's written approval.
- 4. That the Recipient will keep and make available proper books of account and records of the financial management of the funds provided by the City in accordance with generally accepted business and accounting practices.

- 5. That the Recipient authorizes the City and its agents to inspect any and all records, invoices, receipts and other documents in the custody or control of the recipient which relate to the grant and there requirements thereof at all reasonable times.
- 6. That the City may request documentation from any source of matching grant funding (e.g. for volunteers, other in-kind donations or funds) in order to verify the matching grant requirement. The recipient must make organizations that are supporting the matching fund requirement of their project aware that the City may request such further documentation from them.
- 7. The Recipient is required to submit a final report on the operational, project and/or capital activities as outlined by the City. Funds may not be made available to organizations that fail to meet reporting requirements for any approved grants.
- 8. That the program, services or project not be represented as a City program, service or project, and that the grant Recipient does not have the authority to hold itself out as an agent of the City in any way, the only relationship being that the City has approved and granted financial assistance.
- 9. The Recipient, including its subcontractors, employees, workers and agents, shall indemnify and save the City harmless, including the City's elected officials, officers, employees, agents and contractors, from and against any loss, cost and expense incurred by the City because of any demand, action or claim brought against the City as a result of any loss of or damage to property, personal injury or death, or any other losses or damages, both direct or indirect, howsoever and whatsoever incurred, suffered or sustained by the Recipient, including its subcontractors, employees, workers and agents, or by a person other than the Recipient arising out of or in any way related to the grant assistance received or any obligation of the Recipient under this Agreement, or by anyone for whom in law the Recipient is responsible.
- 10. The Recipient shall acknowledge the support of the City of Mississauga in all advertising, publicity, programs, signage and plaques relating to the project for which funds are granted (excludes website). The recipient shall not hold out the City as a partner or otherwise responsible for any obligations relating to the project.
- That should the grant Recipient receive grant funding and subsequently disband, the Recipient must dispose of their assets in a responsible manner. Any unused portion of the Grant remains the property of the City and shall be returned to the City upon request.
- 12. The Recipient shall not transfer or assign the grant or any part thereof to another organization or individual.
- 13. The Recipient acknowledges and agrees that any action taken by or on behalf of the Municipality shall be unconditionally subject to the *Municipal Act, Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act,* and any other applicable law governing the City of Mississauga or its agents, including the City's By-laws and Policies (collectively the

"Applicable Law") and the City shall not be required to take any action in respect of the *Small Project Matching Grants Program*, or otherwise, if such action would be, or would be reasonably likely to be, in violation of any such Applicable Law or ultra vires the powers of the City.

- 14. The Recipient acknowledges that City Staff will accept tickets to events and performances, in accordance with the City of Mississauga's Conflict of Interest Policy, respecting the Acceptance of Gifts, Benefits, or Favours Section of the Policy and that the City of Mississauga and the Recipient shall at all times adhere to rules set forth therein.
- 15. The City reserves the right to verify membership lists and amend or impose additional terms and conditions on a grant as is deemed necessary by the City.
- 16. Pursuant and in addition to the City's application requirements, receipt of funding and compliance with this Agreement shall be conditional on the recipient, or any recipient staff member acting in their job capacity, not directly or indirectly engaging in any political activity, including not publicly endorsing, supporting, opposing, or aligning itself with any political organization, party, campaign, elected representative, or candidate. Recipients shall be required to comply at all times with the Income Tax Act, the Canada Elections Act, the Elections Act of Ontario, the Lobbying Act, and all other applicable laws respecting same. For greater clarity, no funding shall be permitted to be used, either directly or indirectly, for any political purposes, including towards any elected representatives, political candidate, campaign, party, or organization.
- 17. The City shall be entitled to impose additional Terms and Conditions in its letter of approval, at its discretion.

APPENDIX B: PAST PROJECTS

Successful 2017 Projects:

Town of Port Credit Association

Participate in the Canada Day parade in Port Credit by celebrating Port Credit's walkable/bikeable potential. Participation would be the first to utilize bicycle movement in the parade.

Canadian Association of Multicultural People

The project will engage older age neighbors and their families by providing an activity filled day to celebrate the neighbourhood relationship while celebrating Canadian heritage and 150 celebrations.

Cranberry Cove Ratepayers Association

Street party on Maple Ave South which include children's games, a social hour and a free barbeque. Canada 150 celebration. Street Signs will be resigned to include Cranberry Cove organization logo on signs.

Derry Village Seniors

Set-up tents and chairs in park to allow for shelter and recreational activities to take place.

Dixie Bloor

Cooksville Community Street Party that will include activities, entertainment and food for all attendees.

Streetsville BIA/Merchants of Main

The project involved securing a screen for the Streetsville Village Square in order to increase community engagement through free events such as: movie nights, live concert and performances, Canada Day Celebrations, Halloween events, Remembrance Day ceremonies, and more.

Mississauga Cricket League

Promote interest and participation in the spot of cricket on a sustainable basis in women of all ages by conducting women cricket festivals which will bring out families and women of all ages to participate.

Churchill Meadows Resident Association

Canada 150 kite festival where attendees will be able to build kites in addition to watching a flying demonstration of large multi-line kites.

Mississauga Chinese Arts Organization

Canada 150 BBQ, for the seniors and families in the neighbourhood, to enjoy the food, fun games and performances

Dixie Bloor Neighbourhood Centre

A Citizenship/Reaffirmation Ceremony will take place as a special event to celebrate Ontario 150th Anniversary for all the community to enjoy. This would be an excellent opportunity to celebrate in a very special way Canada 150 in the Dixie Bloor Neighbourhood and an amazing chance to celebrate the pride in Canada many express, especially the many newcomers and in particular our many new Syrian families.

Sahara Seniors Services

Celebrate the Canadian rich cultural diversity and heritage during Canada 150 Neighbourhood Celebration. Project will help promote volunteerism among seniors; project will engage seniors and mentors with each other in the community and project will support social participation by inclusion of seniors.

Cloverleaf Garden Club of Mississauga

The 2017 Mississauga Garden Festival is a pilot project, the first year of a collaboration between two of Mississauga's garden clubs: Applewood and Cloverleaf. The 2017 Mississauga Garden Festival will be comprised of two complimentary events; a traditional garden tour of private gardens in the Rattray Marsh area and a 'festival' at the Bradley museum.

The Riverwood Conservancy and Friends of Hancock Woodlands

Friends of Hancock Woodlands would like to host an Open House and BBQ for the neighbourhood to celebrate the opening of Hancock Woodlands. Bringing people together for this celebration will serve three key community needs:

- 1. Raising awareness of a new public space
- 2. Thanking the community for their input
- 3. Generating a sense of community ownership

Lyndwood Community Association

A community picnic and afternoon of recreational activities that highlight Canadian culture and the outdoors that links our event to the 'Participation 150 Playlist' project. The project is not making stops in Mississauga, therefore we'd like to hold our own event to celebrate within our community. This would include organized games such as ball hockey, basketball and baseball, among other sports; Storytelling of Canadian stories; food and musical entertainment.

Erindale Village Association

We would like to celebrate our country's momentous birthday with all things Canadian. We are proposing to have Canadian themed food trucks offering Canadian favourites like Beavertails, poutine, corn on the cob, Nanaimo bars and butter tarts, all free of charge, along with traditional

BBQ fare and treats. A street hockey tournament is also proposed, a favourite with youth and old alike, for all levels of participants in order to showcase one of Canada's favourite outdoor summer activities.

Sheridan Homelands Ratepayers Association

SHORA intends to celebrate CANADA 150 with a day full of events, celebrated around our central park, Thornlodge Park. Early in the day, we will paint (maple) leaves on the road at the intersection adjacent to the park Woodchester and Thornlodge. This will serve as a traffic calming/road safety measure and an artistic celebration of the sesquicentennial. At 1330 SHORA will open David Ramsey pool for a FREE SWIM. We will have attractions in the park including family activities and a concert with local musicians to close the day.

Ontario Cricket Development Organization

Cricket fields throughout the city will be used to host exciting drop-in, 'try it' sessions using safe plastic cricket equipment and soft balls. Volunteer coaches and helpers will set up batting, bowling and fielding areas for everyone to try and experience. "Cricket in the Community" is aimed at all members of the community, boys, girls, men and women, and will be a welcoming and friendly environment for participants of all backgrounds and skill levels.

Mississauga Arts Council and Island Flavour Group

The event being planned in September 2017 for Canada's 150 is called Island Flavour. We are planning a series of educational Caribbean themed artistic workshops for Canada's birthday facilitated by established artists in the Caribbean community that will take place at the Mississauga Valley Community Centre.

Erin Mills Youth Centre and Ridgeway Community Courts Steering Committee

A celebration of Canadian spirit, talent and diversity, the Ridgeway Community Courts (RCC) Showcase provides residents the opportunity to demonstrate their musical, dance and athletic prowess in a series of events throughout the day including a talent shoe and 3 on 3 coed basketball and soccer tournament. The day will feature stations for little children, parent/child recreational opportunities, and a BBQ for participants that will promote the whole neighbourhood celebrating that unites them. Historically divided between locations and across cultural lines, this event will capitalize on the new recreational court as a space for community to be development and nurtured, drawing youth and old from diverse cultures together to experience a celebration of what is best about the community and what unites them as a neighbourhood.

Successful 2018 Projects:

Erindale Village Association:

The Erindale Village Association is a City recognized community group and active rate payers association. Our principal function is to unite and represent the residents of Erindale Village. Customized street signs for Erindale Village will be a legacy for the entire Village. We will also host a street party which will bring together a families and friends living in Erindale Village. The street party will have a mix of children's games, a social hour and a free barbecue, which will allow people the opportunity to meet new & long-term neighbours.

Future Gymnastics

Program Generation Gym will provide older adults with classes promoting fitness, ability of movement and strength. Led by our experienced instructors this eight week program encompasses full body workout that will encourage health and body strengthening. Futures Gymnastics has been a High Five Accredited Organization since 2014, in relation with their new initiative HIGH FIVE® for Older Adults, we can provide classes for older adults keeping them healthy and active. Supporting City of Mississauga in their innovative initiative of the Strategic Pillar for Change, Belong, we welcome the idea of promoting programs that ensure the health of all our surrounding community members. As per our changing demographics, Mississauga's Strategic Plan outlines that within the next 20 years the proportion of the population over 55 will double, we thus need to do our due diligence supporting the city and thus our community, that has supported us , to ensure that programs like Generation Gym are accessible and expanding.

Lakeview Ratepayer Association

The focus of this event is to provide a safe, fun filled, and activity filled event in the Lakeview area. Encouraging new and current residents of the area to socialize, promoting community participation and interaction of all ages and cultures in a family friendly environment.

Lyndwood Community Association

The Lyndwood Community Association has managed to recruit members by word of mouth for the past 60 years, which in recent times has caused a decline in membership due to the vast majority of our community using the internet as a means to research and contact associations like ours. We look to develop a website and standard marketing material that will be used to encourage engagement from our community through a gallery of past events, a main contact page to reach out to various members and most importantly a booking facility page that will allow our community to view at a glance the availability of the Janet I. MacDougald P.S. gymnasium that we management through-out the school year

Malton BIA

The second annual 2018 North Pole Tree Lighting is a free, community wide celebration welcoming the holiday season. The event features free skating at the newly renovated Paul Coffey Arena, wagon rides with Santa and free cookies and hot chocolate. At dusk the new outdoor Christmas tree is lit to a chorus of holiday carols. This year, a larger community collaboration including community centre staff and local residents combined with the previous Ward 5 and BIA partnership promises to bring growth to the event.

Malton Neighbourhood Services

The target audience for the project are Malton residents who are newcomers, youth, seniors and families. All Malton residents are welcomed to the event but we recognize the need to connect people from these populations who may be hard to reach and not connected to the greater community in terms of services, support and community networks. The Malton Community Building Project (MCBP) Network is seeking funding to create a community event to serve as the official launch for the MCBP Network's Malton Community Services List Online Tool. The tool is a directory created to address the needs of the Malton community by providing community

members with service and program information that is "Made in Malton for Malton." The online tool's launch will tie into the Doors Open event that allows communities to highlight locations with specific historic, cultural, social, environmental or architectural importance. The MCBP Network will use this opportunity to showcase the assets of Malton's village-like community and promote the online web tool during this day.

Malton Tennis Club

This project will provide 25 Malton residents aged 6-17 years old, including newcomers, with a free 5 day tennis day camp at Malton Tennis Club. The camp will provide these young people with the opportunity to improve their tennis skills, increase their leadership development and positive sportsmanship, promote a healthy lifestyle through sport and encourage positive resident engagement. The camp will include a healthy nutritious lunch program. The 15 - 17 year old youth will be encouraged to act as mentors for the younger children in planning for and preparing a healthy lunch. A member of the club has a food handlers certification. This is a new project for the Malton Tennis Club that pilots the day program format which includes lunch and skill development.

Mississauga Arts Council

After the success of our first Island Flavour event, Mississauga Arts Council is on board again and we are happy to welcome the Malton Community Centre and Library as a partner. We are happy to have such a Caribbean-focused event in Malton which has a large Caribbean community. The event will reach out to Caribbean Canadians with children who want to pass on their culture, and we'll reach out to all residents in Malton and neighbouring communities who want to be transplanted back to the Islands for one day. We have two workshops and a barbecue planned. The first workshop will be an introduction to Textile Art and the other is on How to Design a Carnival Costume. The barbecue is a fun food event and will feature popular Caribbean food and a DJ. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for Caribbean community members to learn art disciplines in Caribbean workshops developed by guest artist/facilitators.

Orchard Heights Tennis Association

Make available a temporary pickleball facility to accommodate 1 to 4 courts, on 2 existing tennis courts, as required on an hourly basis, following existing tennis club rules, using temporary nets & lines in storage, set up and taken down before and after play. If needed, paddles & balls in storage can be used. Pickleball is the fastest growing recreational sport in North America especially among seniors and probably in Mississauga if facilities were made available to the residents.

Orchestras Mississauga

The Mississauga Symphony Youth Orchestra under the umbrella of Orchestras Mississauga will be presenting a series of in-house concerts at several seniors' retirement homes in Mississauga. This first of its kind project will give seniors the opportunity to listen and enjoy live classical concerts in their own retirement facilities. Music has been found to stimulate parts of the brain, and studies have demonstrated that music enhances the memory of Alzheimer's and dementia patients. Music activities can influence older adults' perceptions about the quality of their lives. This project gives the opportunity for seniors and youth to enjoy each other's passion for music and brings neighbours together

Pickleball Mississauga

PMA is contemplating to run a Pickleball "PB" Tournament at the Mississauga Valley Community Centre "MVCC" on May 31, 2018. I've discussed this small project idea with Jenna at the city and she encouraged me to apply online provided that this tournament will be completely free of charge for participants. We are planning to market this tournament to predominantly Mississauga residents once the grant is approved. PMA Board members will volunteer and match the grant funding by administering the tournament project from start to finish i.e. setting up the PB nets, taking them down, avail the PB balls, referee the games, manage the round robin tournament results, celebrate the winners and above all making sure that every participant is having lots of fun! PMA primary mission is NOT to run tournaments but rather to promote and grow the PB sport in Mississauga, provide assistance to beginners, negotiate new PB locations with the city of Mississauga... etc.

Sheridan Homeland Ratepayers

Little libraries are small (approx. 21" wide x 23.5" tall x 18.5" deep) boxes erected on a post on a resident's front yard. The box has a clear front door and the library will work on the principal of 'take a book leave a book'. There is no fee or membership for our community. One exterior side of the box would serve as a message board to advertise upcoming SHORA events. We hope the libraries become a talking/meeting point in the neighbourhood and foster as sense of community with all residents. The libraries would be stocked with a variety of books to appeal to all interests and age groups.

Shubh Helping Hands

All age group people will be exposed to different techniques of classical indian music and dance lessons and yoga dancing therapy which will help everyone to volunteer and get involved in different indian classical music and dance programs according to their field of talent. This will be very lively musical, health and wellness program which seniors and all ages will enjoy. This will give chance to diverse communities to mingle and make friends. The seniors and juniors will enjoy healthy meals and enjoy watching and learning different techniques of Indian classical music and dance shows. We have professional dance instructors coming to our club. This is physical exercise, which provides happiness to our seniors.

Small Arms Society

This project will create, install and promote mounting public banners on the windows of the north facade of the Small Arms Building. These banners will feature archival mages celebrating the rich heritage of the building and site, and contemporary images by local artists which celebrate the talent and future of the building. Working with City officials, Heritage Mississauga, neighbourhood members, corporate sponsors and local artists - SAS volunteers will coordinate the banner installation as a way to spark community curiosity in anticipation of the reopening of the building in 2018. The project will serve the following groups: Lakeview and South Mississauga communities directly and those travelling past the building. The fledgling Small Arms Society - building capacity as a community group and furthering relationship building with community groups and artists. Heritage Mississauga by profiling the wonderful local archival material hosted by Heritage Mississauga. The generation of residents who worked at the SAB during its operation and their families living in local community and beyond - including local Army, Navy and Air force veterans,

Legion members. Artists in South Mississauga whose work will be featured The City of Mississauga currently involved in the building and site remediation of the property. The project will draw positive attention to the work of the City as it leads and stewards the restoration of this heritage resource. Countless residents of Mississauga, GTA communities and beyond as SAS volunteers promote and publicize the banner installation project through the SAS website and other social media platforms. All future users of the renovated SAB building. Banner material and motifs will be selected to ensure suitability for both continued long term use on the exterior north facade of the building or as reusable meeting or private space dividers for use in the interior of building once it reopens.

Successful 2019 Projects:

Churchill Meadows Residents Association

Community Event will include an electronic waste collection drive, community garage sale, and bicycle tuning workshop. The main purpose of this event is to promote sustainable living through the promotion of recycling, and reusing while also bringing the Churchill Meadows and wider Mississauga community together to welcome spring!

Erindale Village Association

The Erindale Village Association is a City recognized community group and active ratepayers association for 40 years. Our principal function is to unite and represent the residents of Erindale Village. walking tour around the Village and local area with a representative from Heritage Mississauga. A cycling tour of the village and local area is proposed, a favourite with young and old alike, for all levels of participants. We will have a local historian from Heritage Mississagua guide the tour and showcase the history of the village.

Lakeview Ratepayers Association

The focus of this event is to promote the use of bicycles as a healthy, affordable and environmentally sound form of transportation. In addition, providing a safe and fun filled cycling activity in the Lakeview area. Encouraging new and current residents of the area to socialize and gather, promoting community participation and interaction of all ages and cultures in a family fiendly/bike friendly environment.

Sheridan Homelands Ratepayers' Association

SHORA intends to install a permanent public bike repair stand and pump in the Sheridan Homelands. SHORA hopes that by adding to cycling infrastructure in the City of Mississauga,we can encourage residents to choose cycling as a viable transportation option. We also plan on holding two cycling events during the summer months that encourage residents to come to the bike repair stand and learn the basics to mainta+Alin their bike and take advantage of the tools in the stand. We hope the repair stand and pump will be used by all residents of the Sheridan Homelands area but also hope that people cycling through the area on the Sheridan Park multi use trail or bike path on Fifth line will be aware of its existence and take advantage if needed.

Whiteoaks Lorne Park Community Association

Run for the Girls encompasses the Lorne Park Community: moms, daughters, family, and friends are encouraged to walk, run, or cycle together through Whiteoaks Park in support of fitness and strong girls. All are welcome! We'll kick off with a short yoga session and then go through the new hydro corridor path. Observers of the event are encouraged to help clean up Whiteoaks Park as they await the return of participants.

Friends of Hancock Woodlands

We are planning a Hancock Woodlands Open House & BBQ to bring people to the park for an informal and inviting neighbourhood gathering at the end of the summer. It gives Friends of Hancock Woodlands a opportunity to showcase Hancock Woodlands, educate people about the importance of it in our neighbourhood as an interesting and unique green space with a lot of history, both cultural and horticultural. It also gives us an opportunity to actively recruit new members and volunteers to help us with stewardship and other activities.

Erin Mills Tennis Club

The Erin Mills Tennis Club seeks to more Pickleball to its offering of sports that members can participate in. With more facility equipment the addition of Pickleball, EMTC hopes to serve its existing member base better and attract new members from the community that are seeking to participate in a communal, dynamic physical activity.

Pickleball Mississauga Association

Pickleball Fun Day for Mississauga Residents! PMA members, their families and guests will be invited to partake in this Pickleball mania to enjoy and network and "try - it" programming. This Pickleball Fun Day will serve PMA members, their families and friend and all community members who wish to try a new sport.

Recreation Youth & Youth Adults Inc.

Recreation Youth & Young Adults Inc. adding a girls program in conjunction to our existing basketball drop in program. We are hoping to reach more girls through a program we call braids and basketball encouraging young girls to be fit and active and be self-aware. Through this program we hope to build strong relationships with girls in be neighborhood.

Town of Port Credit Association

TOPCA will host the official launch of the new bicycle planter project. This launch will coincide with a Culture Days bike ride that is expected to bring out approximately 100 people to the Port Credit arena for a tour of our village.

Peel Multicultural Council

This project activities will focus on fall bike rides for newcomer seniors and youths, and a weekly drop-in bike clinics & workshops open to the public, held at PMC.

Citizen for the Advancement of Community Development

Create a mini-documentary that will teach Mississauga children & youth newcomers, ages 10 to 18, on writing and directing their short films. This project will run for 6 weeks.

Lyndwood Community Association

To host a one-evening FLOORBALL OPEN HOUSE free and available to all neighbourhood adults and families to learn to play the sport of floorball, and ultimately, extend that to weekly recreational floorball sessions during the remainder of 2019.

The DAM

The Damn has sponsored Erin Mills Connects (EMC) to hosts information workshops for parents/guardians. EMC is creating and demonstrating successful community prevention of mental distress. By working through HRPP module focused on communication. Engaging parents/guardians, teaching youth how to reduce their anxiety, be more successful in relationships and find help.

Blooming Boulevards

The Pollinator Garden Project will host a series of weekend workshops, to create, install and learn how to maintain a pollinator garden.

Iranian Community Mississauga

Iranian Community Mississauga is requesting \$2500 to host a free holiday gathering event over the winter break to encouraging new and current residents of the area to socialize. Iranian Community Mississauga has 400 families a large population of newcomers, and peoples who are looking to be connected to each other.

Successful 2021 Projects:

Citizens for the Advancement of Community Development: Digital Community Collage

The proposed project will serve the middle school student from grade 6-8 and it is entitled "Digital Community Collage". This project will be centered around Digital Literacy which emphasizes the need to be in a virtual environment. Participants will be required to take pictures or make short clips of how their lives have changed and how they have adapted to the new way of living since the beginning of the pandemic. The clips or pictures will be edited through the Photoshop Adobe Suite using different styles, font types, and other digital assets to create a collage. This collage will be a compilation of all the works that the students have created to represent their neighbourhood and to show how, as a community we are all staying stronger together.

Clarkson Village BIA: Blooming Boulevards in Clarkson Village

The "Blooming Boulevards in Clarkson Village" project would see a community pollinator garden established within the Clarkson Village BIA boundary. This project would be driven by the community, for the community. This project would serve residents, particularly those in local condo/apartment buildings, by providing an opportunity to get out and garden. With advice and guidance from Blooming Boulevards, our pollinator garden would contribute to a resilient, biodiverse ecosystem in Mississauga and provide a habitat for native species including bees and butterflies

Ecosource: Secure the Food Mississauga

An indoor gardening program will run for approximately six and aims to increase food security and combat climate change. Approximately 25 hydroponic indoor gardening kits will be distributed to Mississauga residents of all ages without access to green space (e.g. high rise residents). A neighbourhood will be decided upon with support from Ecosource based on the following criteria: highly developed areas with lack of green space, low-income residents. Our goal is to create a safe space where people interested in gardening can share personal stories, progress photos, and exchange tips. While there will be a limited number of hydroponic kits, our Facebook group and workshops will be available to anyone with an interest in learning how to garden indoors.

Erindale Village Association:

The main objective of the project would be to engage each household in a Zoom workshops with the households in our neighbourhood about perennial pollinators, Erindale Village, will plant perennial pollinator plant around the neighbouhood helping the bee population amongst other pollinators like butterflies and hummingbirds. A meeting hosted by a horticulture to educate the community and share knowledge with the neighbours.

Mississauga Arts Council: Mississauga Virtual Performance Art Party

Our virtual performance arts party will be a onetime online party via Zoom and Youtube. All programs will be well organized and pre-recorded. The MC and performers are KCPA members (Chinese Canadians), also invite Indian and Vietnamese artists.

Mississauga Cricket League: Youth Cricket Workshop

This workshop is needed to spread cricket awareness in the city of Mississauga and encourage our youth to come out and learn beautiful game of cricket because unlike other sports like soccer/ice hockey, cricket is not very popular in youth. With this free cricket awareness workshop, we're hoping to attract our youth and engage them in physical activity and at the same time produce high quality players and sportsmanship which can not only help improve their healthy lifestyle but also an opportunity to represent our country at national and international levels. Scenario where phyical attenance is not permitted then Mississauga Cricket league plans to take the event virtual.

Tong Le Senior Associaiton: Home Gardening

This project initiated by seniors who like gardening and is aimed to connect the residents and encourage them to be more active during the pandemic. About 80 members will do garden work in their own neighbourhood, by planting flowers and vegetables under the direction of expertise by provide the gardening knowledge, skills and information through weekly virtual lectures (Zoom) meetings.

Peel Multicultural Council: Supporting Active Residents to Build Strong Neighbourhoods

The project would setup Bike Pop-up stations in the city's public places, for example, Celebration Square, Mississauga Community Centers, popular Mississauga Parks, Farmers Markets, etc. The project will outreach to the above mentioned places to set up booths with promotional and bike

safety freebies including Mississauga cycling maps, Cycling Safety Handbooks, bike lights and bells.

Safe City Mississauga: Neighbourhood Watch Self-Defence Seminar

Self-Defense Seminar aims to provide valuable education in reducing the risk of victimization in violent crime. The Seminar will be taught by certified and experienced martial arts instructors who will work with Safe City Mississauga to create and deliver a two-day class syllabus. To provide training in personal safety and self-defense in order to help residents continue to feel safe in Mississauga, especially considering the diversity of Mississauga.

Successful 2023 Projects:

Kaleidoscope Chinese Performing Arts

Multicultural Celebration Canada Day Party. KCPA will organize a pre-recorded programs (various performances including choir, dancing, yoga, tai chi), as well as activities for residents to participate in.

Lakeview Ratepayers Association

LRA Community Picnic 2023. The primary focus of the community picnic event is to provide a fun filled day in Lakeview in conjunction with the Lakeview Farmers' Market. This will encourage new and current residents of the area to socialize, promote community engagement and interaction of all ages and cultures.

Iranian Community Mississauga

Coming together and finding others with the same values, interests, makes us realise that we're not alone and makes us feel incredibly valued. An outdoor gathering to reconnect the community, as well as spread information about City resources and programs. This is an opportunity to re-engage and attract new members.

Erin Mills Connects/The Dam

Beautiful Mind Days is a day of opportunities for many Peel District SB and Dufferin-Peel Catholic District SB schools in Mississauga to each send 12 students in Grades 4-8 with a supervising teacher to participate in learning about mental health and to gain skills to maintain well-being featuring the evidence-based MindUP program.

Peel Multicultural Council

PMC's Empower the Community by Green Initiative (GI) project aims to bring newcomer youth and seniors together to create a group that is knowledgeable and promotes environmentalism in their communities and is active and engaged in various environmental initiatives around the city of Mississauga. The project will recruit and train newcomer youth and newcomer seniors to help them build capacity and facilitate various activities. Activities will include "green" themed workshops and intergenerational group sharing sessions.

Naach for Fun/Mississauga Arts Council

We at Naach for Fun, are looking to bring diversity and culture to the Mississauga Pride celebrations by bringing to stage the acclaimed Bollywood Reimagined series. Here we will represent Queer South Asian stories through the medium of Bollywood songs and performances. Mississauga has a large South Asian

population, and amongst most of them there is not a lot of awareness regarding Queer stories, so this performance, if we are able to draw in a crowd, will serve as a reminder that Queer South Asian folks have something to talk about as well.

Erindale Village Association

We are asking for a \$2500 grant to purchase a set of audio-visual equipment, marketing promotion materials, food and refreshments to assist us with this initiative. In order to kick off this engagement project, the Erindale Village Association proposes to hold a social/educational event in June.

Metro Marine Modellers

We plan to offer the public an opportunity to try our boats on the water at Lakefront Promenade at our normal area on the east side of the marina. We will have a number of radio controlled boats for the public to try, both sail and motor. This hobby provides a social outlet for all age groups, but also those with mobility issues. In particular, for older adults it can provide a sense of community, the ability to interact with others and enjoy time pursuing a common activity.

Erin Mills Soccer Club

She's an Eagle is a project designed to increase the number of female coaches in our community. The project is a response to the demonstrated community need for more female representation in sports leadership positions. Currently, there is a gender gap in sports participation levels between boys and girls, with fewer girls continuing to participate in sports as they get older. The project aims to address this issue by increasing the number of female coaches in our community. By providing more opportunities for girls to see and interact with female coaches, we hope to create a more inclusive and welcoming environment for all young athletes.

Clarkson BIA

A bicycle repair and pump station will be installed within the Clarkson Village BIA boundary to assist current cyclists, and to incrementally improve the area's cycling infrastructure for the future.

COOKSMART/ Malton Black Development Association

COOKSMART offers basic cooking and baking programs in Mississauga and Oakville area, but this project focuses specifically at serving the youth and families in Malton. COOKSMART will create inclusive and creative relationships for youth, so they feel welcome in the Malton Youth Hub to not only receive food from the breakfast and lunch programs offered, but to teach the youth essential life skills in a hands-on experience to learn the basic knowledge and skills to cook tasty and nutritious foods for themselves and their families for long term health benefits.





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