



REPORT FIN-2014-006

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Mary Hasan, Director of Finance/Treasurer

SUBJECT: 2014 Grant Requests

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Report FIN-2014-006 regarding the 2014 Grant Requests be received.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with information on the 2014 Grant Requests for Operating Budget deliberations.

DISCUSSION

The following are grants that were authorized by Council in the 2013 Operating Budget. Also included are the 2014 requests.

	2013 Budget	2014 Requests
Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre	\$2,500	\$5,000
Wellington County Plowmens Association	\$100	No response
Kiwanis Music Festival	\$200	\$200
Aberfoyle Agricultural Society	\$750	\$3,000
Puslinch Red Cross	\$75	Declined submission in previous year.
Wellington County Farm and Home Safety Association	\$125	\$500
County of Wellington Festivals and Events	\$2,700	Note A
Friends of Mill Creek-Grand River	\$1,250	\$5,000
Community Oriented Policing Centre	\$500	\$500
Puslinch Lake Conservation	\$25,000	\$50,000
In Memory	\$250	\$250
Puslinch Kodiak's	\$1,000	No response
Badenoch Community Centre	\$1,750	\$3,500
Total Grants	\$36,200	\$67,950

Note A:

The County of Wellington Festival Events Guide has been noted in the Grants account in the past. This expense is for the promoting of events within the Township. The Township populates the data and the costs of printing the booklet are shared County wide.

It is recommended that this be shown as a “Contracted Services” expense in the Recreation Cost Centre. The Customer Service Representative of the Recreation Department will be responsible for populating the content for Puslinch within this guide.

Financial Implications

The total grants budgeted in 2013 amounted to \$36,200. The total grants requested in 2014 amounted to \$67,950.

Applicable Legislation and Requirements

Directly from the Municipal Act, 2001:

Assistance prohibited

Despite any Act, a municipality shall not assist directly or indirectly any manufacturing business or other industrial or commercial enterprise through the granting of bonuses for that purpose. 2001, c. 25, s. 106 (1).

General power to make grants

Despite any provision of this or any other Act relating to the giving of grants or aid by a municipality, subject to section 106, a municipality may make grants, on such terms as to security and otherwise as the council considers appropriate, to any person, group or body, including a fund, within or outside the boundaries of the municipality for any purpose that council considers to be in the interests of the municipality. 2001, c. 25, s. 107 (1).

ATTACHMENTS

2013 Financial Statements, 2014 Budgets and 2014 Financial Support Requests from the following organizations:

- Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre
- Kiwanis Music Festival
- Aberfoyle Agricultural Society
- Wellington County Farm and Home Safety Association
- Friends of Mill Creek-Grand River

- Community Oriented Policing Centre
- Puslinch Lake Conservation
- Badenoch Community Centre