

Memorandum

Date: October 6, 2020

To: City Council

From: Rod Sutherland, Director of Human Services, on behalf of Task Force Co-chairs

Amy Terrill and Heather Kirby

Re: Update from Community Pandemic Recovery Task Force

Recommendation

That the Memorandum from Rod Sutherland, Director of Human Services, **Update from** Community Pandemic Recovery Task Force, be received for information purposes; and

That this recommendation be brought forward at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Rationale

The Community Pandemic Recovery Task Force is continuing to meet twice per month along with the two working groups, focusing on gaps and funding opportunities.

In conjunction with Kawartha Lakes Economic Development, two grant writing workshops were scheduled for September 30th and October 1st to support organizations and groups to apply for or pursue various opportunities. There are often funding opportunities that arise from both government and non-profit sources that may include detailed preparation and precise application processes. Assistance with this process has been identified as a gap. In addition to these workshops there may be additional opportunities for groups or individuals to mentor or support other organizations through the process.

City resources that may provide support or advice to community organizations are also being reviewed. This may include areas such as health and safety, personal protective equipment, overall business planning and performance measurement.

A presentation to Council is being planned for the November 3rd, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting to provide further updates as well as specific recommendations.