

# **Council Report**

Report Number: CS2025-005

**Meeting Date:** March 18, 2025

Title: Release of Fenelon Falls C.H.E.S.T. Funds

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## **Recommendation(s):**

That Report CS2025-005, Release of Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Funds, be received; and,

**That** the Fenelon Falls Grannies be approved for funding in the amount of \$2,700.00 with the allocation to come from the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Reserve (3.24350).

Department Head:	
Financial/Legal/HR/Other:	
Chief Administrative Officer:_	

### **Background:**

A grant application for the disposition of Fenelon Falls residual C.H.E.S.T. funding has been received by Community Services Administration on behalf of community interests. The local Councillor is aware of this request. Total funding requested is \$2,700.00. As per the last financial update received from Treasury and awards previously granted, \$22,473.22 of residual funding is available for distribution.

Residual fund distributions are treated in the same manner, and subject to the same criteria, as the ongoing C.H.E.S.T. funding programs in Lindsay and Bobcaygeon. The distribution of these funds is also subject to the requirement for a full reconciliation of costs at the project end. This report is brought forward to Council to approve the release of funds from the Fenelon Falls C.H.E.S.T. Fund Reserve (3.24350). The application and review comments are summarized below.

#### **Rationale:**

The Fenelon Falls Grannies is a one of 160 groups across Canada that are part of the Stephen Lewis Foundation Grandmother's Campaign. Since 2009, the Fenelon Falls Grannies hosts a music-a-thon fundraising event in Fenelon Falls in support of the Grandmothers Campaign. This is event is a large cultural event displaying a wide variety of performances by local artists for the local community to enjoy. They are requesting \$2,700.00 to help support costs to run this special event. Funds would go towards costs of insurance, hall rental, food and honorarium for the sound crew.

#### **Other Alternatives Considered:**

This report is brought to Council as per the process for disposition of residual funds within the Fenelon Falls C.H.E.S.T. Fund. The application submitted by Fenelon Falls Grannies was reviewed by staff and meets the requirements for funding, therefore no other alternatives are being considered.

### **Alignment to Strategic Priorities:**

The recommendations in this report align with the following strategic priority within 2024-2027 Kawartha Lakes Strategic Plan:

An Exceptional Quality of Life – enhancing community areas and encouraging social and healthy interactions.

A Vibrant and Growing Economy – supporting downtown areas to ensure our communities have a strong core.

Good Government – working collaboratively with local groups to foster teamwork within our communities.

## **Financial/Operation Impacts:**

As per the last update by Treasury, the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Fund has residual funds remaining in the amount of \$22,473.22. With the approval of the recommendations outlined within this report a balance of \$19,773.22 remains for further distribution.

#### **Servicing Implications:**

There are no servicing implications because of this report.

#### **Consultations:**

Councillor Ward 3 Treasury

#### **Attachments:**

N/A

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