



## Council Report

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**Report Number:** PR2025-006

**Meeting Date:** March 18, 2025

**Title:** 50-50 Community Project Capital Fund

**Description:** 2025 Allocation

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### Recommendation(s):

**That** Report PR2025-006, **50-50 Community Project Capital Fund**, be received for information only.

**Department Head:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial/Legal/HR/Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chief Administrative Officer:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Background:**

The 50/50 Community Project Capital Funding Initiative has been supporting community parks and recreation capital projects since 2003. The Parks and Recreation Division has collaborated with community groups to complete over 200 projects. Capital enhancements to parks and recreational facilities have been successfully completed through local volunteer efforts and the funding provided through the 50/50 Community Project Capital Funding Program.

This report provides recommendations on the 2025 allocation of these capital funds.

## **Rationale:**

The intent of this report is to provide information on the allocation of the 2025 50/50 Community Project Capital funds to allow our community partners to successfully complete their projects during the 2025 calendar year. While policy provides for approval from the Director, this report will share with Council the funding requests received, and the planned allocations so Council is aware of the initiatives occurring throughout the municipality.

The 2025 approved capital funds available for 2025 50/50 Community Projects is \$83,000.00. As per Management Directive MD-2018-006, community organizations are invited to make one application per year. The maximum funding per project is \$7,500.00 with the community group matching 50% of the funds.

The application deadline was October 31, 2024 for projects planned in 2025. Applications have been evaluated based on the established funding criteria.

A total of five applications were received by the deadline. Four of these projects are recommended to receive funding. As stated in the Management Directive, a second intake for organizations that missed the initial deadline will be available for applications submitted before July 31, 2025.

<b>Community Group</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Amount Recommended</b>
Ampere Association	Mosaic fence	\$7,500.00	\$0.00
Maryboro Lodge	AV system, storage	\$3,950.00	\$3,950.00
Norland Horticulture Society	Picnic table	\$616.95	\$616.95
Sturgeon Point Association	Swim Raft repair	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Little Britain	Information Sign	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
<b>5</b>		<b>\$14,566.95</b>	<b>\$7,066.95</b>

Recommendations for funding were based on the information and budget provided in each application and the eligible capital funding project criteria.

The application from the Ampere Association is not eligible to receive funding under this program. The project is not planned for the betterment of a Parks and Recreation facility or park.

Organizations will receive a confirmation letter including provisions to ensure that all liabilities, insurance, permits and permissions required for each individual project are met in accordance with City Policy. Funding is pending project approval by the division and payments are processed upon completion of the project.

A reconciliation from each organization must be returned to the City for the purpose of project audits.

### **Other Alternatives Considered:**

The allocations recommended follow the 50/50 Community Project Capital Funding Initiative Management Directive MD-2018-006 and attempt to support the maximum number of eligible projects within existing approval levels.

### **Alignment to Strategic Priorities**

The recommendations within this Report contribute to the 2024-2027 Kawartha Lakes Strategic Plan, namely:

1. An Exceptional Quality of Life
2. A Vibrant and Growing Economy

### **Financial/Operation Impacts:**

The recommendations within this report allow for the allocation of the 2025 50/50 Community Project Capital Fund Initiative as per the policy and within the budget of \$83,000.

Upon distribution of the recommended funding, the 2025 50/50 Community Project Capital Fund Initiative will have a balance of \$72,933.05 remaining for a second round of funding, for applications received by July 31, 2025 as per Management Direction MD-2018-006.

2025 Funding Available	\$ 83,000.00
2025 Recommended Allocation	\$ 7,066.95
<b>Total 2025 Funding Remaining</b>	<b>\$72,933.05</b>

### **Consultations:**

Funding requests from various community groups.

### **Attachments:**

N/A

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