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10. **C-2022-048**
Correspondence dated February 22, 2022 from the Town of Kingsville addressed to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, respecting a motion requesting the Government of Ontario to dissolve the Ontario Land Tribunal.



**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SARNIA
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February 15, 2022

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
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Dear Premier,

RE: Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal

At its meeting held on February 7, 2022, Sarnia City Council adopted the following resolution with respect to the Ontario Land Tribunal:

Whereas Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy; and

Whereas an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of (our) community"; and

Whereas our Official Plan includes zoning provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community; and

Whereas our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province; and

Whereas it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes

that better the community or fit within the vision of the City of Sarnia's Official Plan; and

Whereas it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the City of Sarnia's Official Plan; and

Whereas municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of the City of Sarnia; and

Whereas the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans and Provincial Planning Policy; and

Whereas all decisions—save planning decisions—made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process; and

Whereas Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans; and

Whereas towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings; and

Whereas lengthy, costly OLT hearings act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That The City of Sarnia requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario; and

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of

Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; and

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

Your favorable consideration of this request is respectfully requested.

Yours sincerely,



Amy Burkhart
City Clerk

Cc: Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Leader of the Opposition
Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party
MPPs in the Province of Ontario
Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario
Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario
AMO
All Ontario Municipalities



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February 15, 2022

SENT VIA EMAIL: Association of Municipalities of Ontario; Local Area Municipalities

RE: Partners for Climate Change Protection (PCP) Program

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Committee of the Whole Meeting held on February 07, 2022, passed the following motion in support of the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program:

Resolution Number: CSI-2022-02

Moved by: Councillor Tony Brunet

Receive and file Report PW-01-22 regarding Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program; and

Direct the Town Clerk to register the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln as a member of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Partners for Climate Protection Program, and

Endorse the resolution attached as "Appendix A" and direct the Town Clerk to circulate this resolution to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and Local Area Municipalities; and

Direct staff to initiate development of the Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan (CCMP) and the Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan (CLCRP).

CARRIED

A copy of Report PW-01-22 is attached for your reference.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,

Julie Kirkelos
Town Clerk
jkirkelos@lincoln.ca
JK/dp



Subject:	Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program
To:	Committee of the Whole – Community Services & Infrastructure
From:	Public Works Department

Report Number:	PW-01-22
Wards Affected:	All
Date to Committee:	February 7, 2022
Date to Council:	February 14, 2022

Recommendation:

Receive and file Report PW-01-22 regarding Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program; and

Direct the Town Clerk to register the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln as a member of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Partners for Climate Protection Program, and

Endorse the resolution attached as "Appendix A" and direct the Town Clerk to circulate this resolution to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and Local Area Municipalities; and

Direct staff to initiate development of the Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan (CCMP) and the Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan (CLCRP).

Purpose:

Further to the declaration of a Climate Crisis, adoption of the Corporate Climate Adaptation Plan (CCAP) and extensive efforts that have been ongoing with Council support, staff continue to implement climate action initiatives. This report summarizes the benefits to the Town of Lincoln in becoming a member of FCM's PCP program and seeks Council approval and support via resolution to proceed with the membership application and initiate development of the Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan (CCMP) and the Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan (CLCRP).

Background:

Climate Change Science

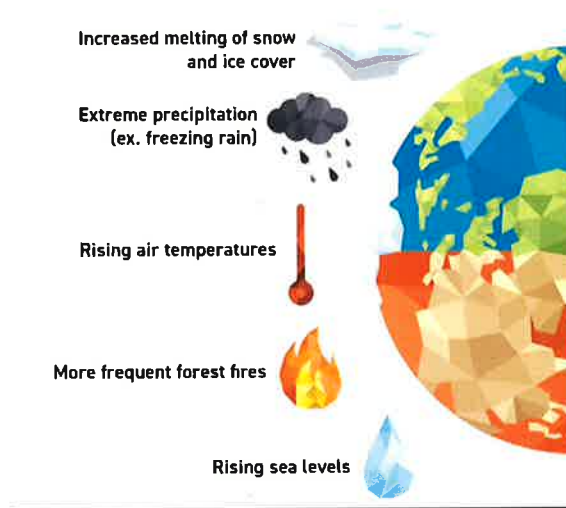
The International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) says in its 2014 Fifth Assessment Report that warming of the Earth's climate system is unequivocal and that "the IPCC is now 95% certain that humans are the main cause of current global warming." The IPCC concludes this warming is caused primarily by increased atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide released from burning coal, oil and natural gas and from cutting trees and clearing land for agriculture and development.

The IPCC has a high degree of confidence that the following climate-related impacts are occurring or will occur over the next century in North America:

- More frequent hot and fewer cold temperature extremes, resulting in longer and more frequent heat waves.
- More frequent and intense extreme precipitation events.
- Thawing of permafrost, causing greater emissions of greenhouse gases and leading to disruptions to infrastructure and the traditional ways of life in northern communities.
- Glacial and polar ice melt, causing sea level rise in over 70% of coastal communities.
- Increased risk of extinction for a large fraction of terrestrial, freshwater and marine species, undermining food security in many regions.
- In urban areas, increase risks for people, assets, economies and ecosystems including risks from heat stress, storms and extreme precipitation, flooding, landslides, air pollution, drought, water scarcity, sea level rise and storm surges.
- In rural areas, impacts on water availability and supply, food security, infrastructure, and agricultural incomes, including shifts in food production areas.

Under business-as-usual scenarios, the IPCC has high confidence that global surface temperature is likely to exceed two degrees Celsius by the end of the 21st Century. The IPCC observes that warming resulting from human influences could lead to abrupt or irreversible impacts, depending on the rate and magnitude of climate change, and that the more human activities disrupt the climate, the greater the risks. Under a stringent emission reduction scenario, the IPCC concludes that surface warming could be kept under two degrees Celsius, which would reduce the risks and impacts of climate change.

Impacts of Climate Change in Canada



Climate Change in Canada

Canada is feeling the impacts of climate change. Climate change is having an impact in communities across the country. Average temperatures are rising, snow and ice cover are declining, and natural disasters, such as wildfires and floods, are affecting more Canadian communities more often. Integrated action on climate change is crucial. An effective response will aim to reduce the rate and magnitude of climate change, while mitigating unavoidable damages from climate change. The direct benefits that come from action include energy cost savings, avoided infrastructure impacts, and local job creation. According to the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy, costs from climate impacts could exceed \$5 billion in 2020 and grow to more than \$21 billion by 2050.

By 2100, Lincoln can expect:



91
extreme hot days
($>30^{\circ}\text{C}$) each year



Warmer summer
temperatures



Milder winter
temperatures
(more ice & freezing
rain, & less snow)



44%
more heavy rainfall
events ($>10\text{mm}$)



More frequent &
severe droughts



More extreme weather
events (ex. windstorms,
thunderstorms etc.)



Extended growing
seasons



Increased spread
of respiratory,
waterborne, and insect
carried diseases
(ex. Lyme disease)

Local governments play a key role in climate protection. More than 44% of Canada's GHG emissions are under the direct or indirect control of municipalities. Local governments are making important contributions to climate protection by cutting emissions from municipal operations and implementing cost-effective investments and creating incentive-based policies that support sustainable infrastructure and development practices.

Lincoln's Commitment to Climate Change Action

The Town of Lincoln is committed to providing its community with an equitable, sustainable, and prosperous quality of life. This commitment is reflected in several Town initiatives and continues to be a priority at all levels of operations.

The Town's 2014 Official Plan also affirms the commitment to sustainability, in reviewing opportunities for reducing the impact and challenges of climate change.

On March 22, 2021, Council adopted the CCAP, which includes Action 1.7 – Initiate a Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan and Action 1.8 – Initiate a Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan.

On May 10, 2021, Council completed CCAP Action 1.2 – Declare a climate crisis. Council passed a motion to declare a climate crisis in Lincoln for the purposes of: recognizing the urgent need to take action to mitigate the effects of climate change; deepening the Town's commitment to protecting its economy, ecosystems, and community from climate change; acknowledging that the climate change crisis poses a real serious threat and comprehensive changes and investments will be required to adapt to the impacts of climate change, mitigate climate risk, and prepare for our climate future; and directing the CAO and staff to work with other Local Area Municipalities and across Ontario to make our climate initiatives permanent.

On November 10, 2021, Council approved the 2022 Budget, including item 202485 – Climate Resiliency Program. This program includes development of a Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan and a Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan.

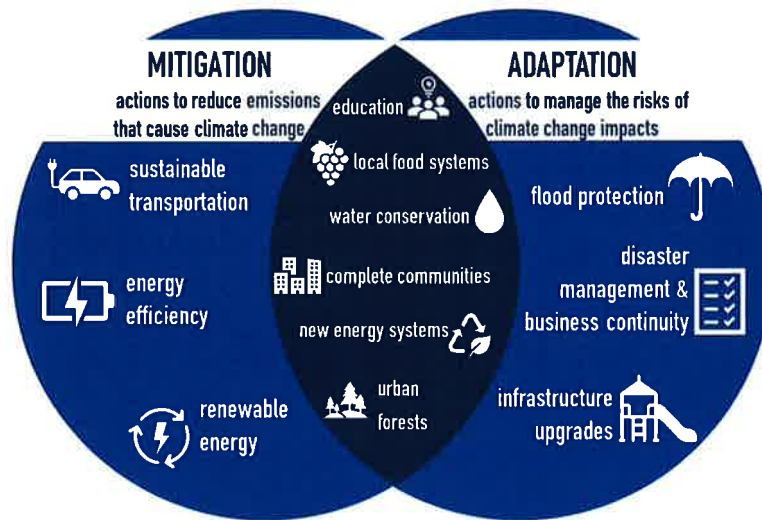
Climate Action: Adaptation, Mitigation, and Low-Carbon Resilience

Mitigation refers to reducing the emissions that cause climate change. Examples include investing in renewable energy and using low-emission vehicles. Adaptation refers to "actions that reduce the negative impact of climate change, while taking advantage of potential new opportunities [and] involves adjusting policies and actions because of observed or expected changes in climate. Examples of adaptation actions include increasing the capacity of stormwater management systems, flood preparedness, and modifying outdoor work policies

Additional benefits of GHG mitigation include:

- Cost savings: Increasing energy efficiency and financial savings through purchasing renewable energy and developing local renewable energy sources.

- Job creation and local economic development: Creating new markets for renewable energy technologies, energy efficiency and sustainable public transit can stimulate the local economy and increase competitiveness.
- Reduced traffic congestion: Promoting public transit, cycling, low-emissions vehicles, car sharing, and active transportation encourages residents to choose more affordable and environmentally friendly travel modes, improving mobility, safety, and public health.
- Improved air quality: Reducing pollutants and airborne particles improves air quality and reduces the incidence of respiratory diseases.



Adaptation and mitigation are not mutually exclusive – some actions, known as low-carbon resilience (LCR) actions, have co-benefits, contributing to both objectives. LCR is the strategic integration of climate change adaptation and emissions reductions. Taking measures that integrate the two climate action streams enhances the effectiveness of both strategies, avoids risks, and generates economic, ecological and social benefits. An example of LCR is conserving and expanding the urban forest – which assists in adapting to extreme heat, mitigating GHGs emissions, and potentially lowering energy use in summer and winter.

Report:

Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program

Initiated in 1994, the PCP program is a network of Canadian municipalities that have committed to reducing GHG emissions and acting on climate change. The program received financial support from FCM's Municipal Climate Innovation Program and Green Municipal Fund which are both supported by the Government of Canada and ICLEI Canada. Delivered by FCM and ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability, the PCP program provides tools and resources to support municipalities in achieving emissions

reduction targets. In 2020, the PCP network reached over 490 members representing over 70% of the Canadian population.

PCP members commit to moving through the program framework, which aligns with the FCM Maturity Scale for Municipal GHG Emissions Reduction, and consists of five milestones:

- **Milestone Zero – Council resolution to join PCP**
- **Milestone One – Create a GHG emissions inventory and forecast**
 - Inventory of energy consumed and solid waste generated at Town owned and operated buildings, street lighting, the municipal fleet etc.
 - A GHG emissions inventory can help you track emissions, energy use and energy spending as well as measure your progress over time. Having a forecast allows you to project future emissions based on assumptions about population, economic growth, fuel mix, and technological change.
- **Milestone Two – Set an emissions reductions target**
 - A GHG reduction target sets the tone and direction for emission reduction efforts. Targets should be achievable, while also inspiring ambitious action and are expected to align with federal, provincial and peer municipality targets.
 - Two targets: municipally owned operations and community-wide emissions.
- **Milestone Three – Develop action plan**
 - Summarize baseline emissions forecasts and targets; propose GHG reduction actions; and determine implementation strategies and resources required
 - A local action plan outlining how Lincoln will achieve its emissions reduction target through municipal operations (CCMP) and community-based initiatives (CLRP). Stakeholder engagement is critical to development, and ownership of the plan by municipal staff and the community will ensure long-term success.
- **Milestone Four – Implement the action plan or set of activities**
 - Identify measures to develop and/or incorporate into existing projects
 - Estimate and track lifecycle costs, payback periods, resource savings, direct and indirect benefits, and potential sources of internal and external funds.
- **Milestone Five – Monitor progress and report results**
 - Evaluate project outputs against base projections, adjusting activities as needed.

Membership in the PCP program is free and provides the following resources:

- PCP Hub and Milestone tool – an online portal to connect with resources and guidance to track milestone status and goals. The portal links together peer municipalities to share best practices, project information and strategies. The portal will allow the Town to:

- Develop knowledge and skills from resources and instructions for each milestone
- Access a scenario builder to estimate potential GHG reductions
- Set targets and track GHG reductions from corporate and community sources
- A GHG inventory
- Public Dashboard
- PCP program advisor
- Increased access to funding opportunities for GHG-reducing initiatives
- Technical project support and RFP development support

Member responsibilities include:

- Passing a joining resolution through council;
- Moving through the Milestone Framework within 10 years of joining;
- Reporting on progress at least once every two years, with support from the PCP; and
- Actively participating in program activities and sharing experiences with other members.

Scope and Deliverables

The PCP Program will support the develop of two plans: 1) a Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan (CCMP) and 2) a Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan (CLCRP).

Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan: A CCMP will address the GHG emissions from the Town's infrastructure, assets, operations, and services. Examples of Corporate Climate Mitigation Actions include green fleets, sustainable energy initiatives, or active transportation planning.

Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan: A CLCRP will evaluate both adaptation and mitigation strategies, as well as identify co-benefit opportunities from community driven climate action. The purpose of the plan is to develop a set of LCR actions that will be accomplished in partnership with residents, public and private sectors, and local stakeholders. Examples of Community LCR actions include: building resilient irrigation networks, promoting resident energy conservation, or partnering with local community groups to advance sustainable actions.

Corporate Environmental Committee

The Climate Change Coordinator role is to facilitate the development process of the CCMP and CLCRP. To ensure these plans reflect community needs, staff expertise and corporate priorities, and can ultimately be integrated across the municipality, most of the findings for each milestone will be derived from or refined through engagement with the local community and the Corporate Environmental Committee. This committee is multi-departmental, comprised of Town staff with diverse expertise and experience with the

Town's communities, infrastructure, assets, and services. Ownership for each department's CCMP actions will live with the department.

The Corporate Environmental Committee includes representatives from:

- Planning and Development
- Community Services
- Facilities and Parks
- Public Works
- Fire and Emergency Services
- Economic Development & Tourism
- Communications

Anticipated Touchpoints

The plans will be primarily informed by the subject matter experts in the community and the Corporate Environmental Committee. Input on the plan will be gathered from SMT, Council, stakeholders, subject-matter experts, and the community on an ongoing basis.

Community: Ongoing citizen engagement will be an important part of the Corporate Climate Mitigation Planning process. Anticipated touchpoints with community stakeholders, residents, and businesses may include: online surveys, information booths, engagement workshops.

Senior Management Team: Consultation with SMT will occur on a quarterly basis to provide updates, seek feedback, and ensure input is obtained from all management levels.

Community Services and Infrastructure Committee: The Committee will be updated on the progress on the Climate Mitigation Plan and related activities through presentations and reports as needed. Drafts of the Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan and the Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan will be presented to the committee for review and feedback before finalization.

Timeline

It is anticipated the concurrent development of the CCMP and CLCRP will take 12-18 months, with community and staff engagement activities beginning in January 2022. A detailed timeline will be provided to Council, SMT, and the community after initial meetings with FCM-ICLEI staff and the Corporate Environmental Committee in Q1 2022.

Planning Principles

The CCMP and CLCRP are intended to be living documents and will be updated annually to reflect implementation progress, new opportunities, and scientific advancements. In order for Lincoln to successfully develop, implement and continuously improve the plans, it is important that the following four key principles are met:

Financial & Human Resources: It is anticipated that applicable funding and staffing requests will be made on a project-by-project basis. The Town is committed to maximizing the co-benefits of actions to achieve multiple environmental, social, and financial sustainability goals.

Internal & Community Education & Training: In order to successfully develop and implement the CCMP and CLCRP, the Town will need to leverage collective knowledge, partnerships, networks, resources, and leadership. It is important to build internal and community awareness of climate change in order to build capacity to take meaningful and sustainable climate action.

Strategic Partnerships: The success of the CCMP and CLCRP depends on the individual and organizational capacity to collaboratively take leadership. The Town will continue to leverage existing community partnerships (for example, with the NPCA and Brock University); form new partnerships to achieve shared goals, identify co-benefits, maximize resources; and encourage collaboration at the residential, institutional, industrial, and commercial scales.

Governance: Moving from awareness and planning to implementation and continuous improvement requires strong and committed leadership. The Town of Lincoln will retain ownership and governance of the CCMP and will take responsibility for the implementation and continuous improvement of the plan, as the plan is corporate in scope. The Town will lead the governance of CLCRP, though action implementation will be at the residential, institutional, industrial, and commercial levels. It will take a collaborative approach focused on sustained and significant action to realize and prioritize the change that is needed.

The Town of Lincoln is committed to taking an inclusive and collaborative approach to build corporate and community capacity to mitigate climate change, as many actions will require leadership and support from multiple departments and community groups. Due to the scale of climate action, it will take several champions (inside and outside the municipality) to keep climate initiatives alive in the face of many competing priorities.

Financial, Legal, Staff Considerations:

Financial:

There are no administration fees or costs associated with becoming a member in the PCP program, receiving advisory support, or accessing resources. Resources required to pursue PCP Milestones – for example, the costs of conducting a GHG inventory and developing an action plan, or any other related resources – are included in the budgets process for Council approval. It is anticipated that when staff begin implementation of the actions outlined in the CCMP, applicable funding requests will be made on a project-by-project basis.

Staffing:

The purpose of this project is to build corporate and community capacity for climate change action with existing staff and the Corporate Environmental Committee. No additional staff is required at this time. Expected input will be 1 on 1 meetings and facilitated workshops to identify and evaluate GHG emissions and then to identify

mitigation next steps. It is also anticipated that the Town's communication staff are utilized to prepare materials for public engagement/education initiatives and to assist with the notifications relating to the plans.

Legal: N/A

Public Engagement Matters:

Ongoing community engagement with residents, stakeholders, and industry, will be an important part of the CCMP and CLCRP. Anticipated community touchpoints may include online surveys, information booths, and engagement workshops.

Conclusion:

The development of a Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan and a Community Low-Carbon Resilience Plan aligns with the Corporate Climate Adaptation Plan and the declaration of a Climate Crisis. Council and the community will be engaged in the evidence-based planning, consultation, implementation, and decision-making processes outlined in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Fernandes
Climate Change Coordinator
905-563-2799 ext.281

Appendices:

Appendix A: PCP Joining Resolution
Appendix B: FCM Maturity Scale for Municipal GHG Emissions Reduction
Appendix C: PCP Milestone Deliverables

Report Approval:

Report has been reviewed by the Director of Public Works. Final approval is by the Chief Administrative Officer.



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February 17, 2022

File No. 21-30

SENT VIA EMAIL

City of St. Catharines
P.O. Box 3012
50 Church Street
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Attention: Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk

Dear Ms. Nistico-Dunk:

Re: February 15, 2022 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL

At its meeting of February 15, 2022, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the City of St. Catharines dated January 26, 2022 regarding CHPI Funding Shortfalls.”

Yours truly,

Tara Stephens,
City Clerk

TS:bl

c.c.: - Local Area Municipalities, sent via email



Clerks and Bylaw

February 18, 2022

SENT VIA E-MAIL TO:

Joanne Vanderheyden
President of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities
info@fcm.ca

Dear President Vanderheyden,

Re: Year of the Garden Proclamation

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of Norfolk County, please be advised that upon the recommendation of the Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Board, Council passed the following resolution at the February 15, 2021 Council meeting:

Resolution No. 13

Moved By: Councillor Martin
Seconded By: Councillor Huffman

WHEREAS Norfolk County is known as Ontario's Garden and has a rich agricultural and horticulture industry;

AND WHEREAS Communities in Bloom and "Fleurons du Québec" in collaboration with the Canadian Garden Council, invite all municipalities to celebrate the Year of the Garden 2022;

AND WHEREAS the Year of the Garden 2022 celebrates the Centennial of Canada's horticulture sector;

AND WHEREAS gardens and gardening contribute to the quality of life of our municipality, our climate action goals and create safe and healthy places where people can come together in the spirit of inclusivity and reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS the Year of the Garden 2022 will highlight and celebrate the important contribution of gardeners, our local gardening organizations, horticultural professionals and local horticultural businesses which contribute to garden culture and experience of our municipality;

AND WHEREAS gardens and gardening have helped us face the challenges of the COVID pandemic;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT Norfolk County hereby proclaim 2022 as the Year of the Garden in celebration of the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our municipality and the lives of our citizens in terms of health, quality of life and environmental challenges;

AND THAT the Saturday before Father's Day, National Garden Day, June 18 in 2022, be recognize as Garden Day in Norfolk County as a legacy of Canada's Year of the Garden 2022;

AND THAT Norfolk County is committed to be a Garden Friendly County supporting the development of its garden culture and is proud to have history, heritage and diversity of gardens;

AND FURTHER THAT all municipalities across Canada be invited proclaim 2022 to be the Year of the Garden in their respective municipalities, and that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and for that purpose.

Further information regarding the Year of the Garden Proclamation can be found on the [Year of the Garden Website](#). If any municipality would like to partner with Norfolk County in proclaiming 2022 as the Year of the Garden a draft resolution is attached below.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter or should you require additional information, please contact Kevin Klingenberg, Deputy Clerk at 519-426-5870 x. 1261, or email: Clerks@norfolkcounty.ca

Sincerely,

Kevin Klingenberg
Deputy Clerk
Norfolk County

CC:

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- All Ontario municipalities
- Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Board

Presented on Municipal letterhead

Year of the Garden 2022 PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** the *Year of the Garden 2022* celebrates the Centennial of Canada's horticulture sector;
- WHEREAS** gardens and gardening contribute to the quality of life of our municipality and create safe and healthy places where people can come together;
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- THAT** (add name of municipality) **HEREBY PROCLAIMS 2022 as the *Year of the Garden*** in celebration of the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our municipality and the lives of our citizens in terms of health, quality of life and environmental challenges; and
- THAT** **the Saturday before Father's Day**, June 18 in 2022, be recognize as Garden Day in (add name of municipality) as a legacy of Canada's Year of the Garden 2022; and
- THAT** (insert name of Municipality) is committed to be a **Garden Friendly City** supporting the development of its garden culture and is proud to have:

(name at least two city initiatives that support the garden culture of your city and the spirit of the Year of the Garden); and

- THAT** all municipalities across Canada BE INVITED to proclaim 2022 to be the ***Year of the Garden*** in their respective municipalities, and that a copy of this resolution be provided to the FCM, and for that purpose.

DATED AT CITY HALL, (the xx day of (add month), 2021 or 2022

(insert Mayor's name), Mayor



February 18, 2022

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office
Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3

Sent via email: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

Re: Dissolution of the Ontario Land Tribunal, Town of Gravenhurst

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AND WHEREAS our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage developments to meet the need for attainable housing in our community;

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage developments to meet certain environmental standards which are voided by the Provincial Policy Statement;

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the District of Muskoka, as delegated from the Province, in accordance with the Planning Act;

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AND WHEREAS municipalities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province or their designate in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings;

AND WHEREAS lengthy, costly OLT hearings act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

AND WHEREAS the existence of the OLT acts as a barrier that restricts municipalities from protecting the environment from development that is uncharacteristic of its community;



NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Town of Gravenhurst requests the Government of Ontario dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing, and restricting a municipality's ability to enforce self-determined environmentally-friendly development policies in Ontario;
2. A copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; and,
3. A copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.
4. A suitable alternative appeal process be investigated by the Province utilizing an elected board of appeal

Sincerely,

Kayla Thibeault
Director of Legislative Services / Clerk
Town of Gravenhurst
KT/ds

cc.

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LOCAL AREA MUNICIPALITIES

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Evaluation of 2019 and 2020 Niagara Prosperity Initiative Projects

COM 6-2022

Regional Council, at its meeting held on February 17, 2022, passed the following recommendation of its Public Health and Social Services Committee:

That Report COM 6-2022, dated February 8, 2022, respecting Evaluation of 2019 and 2020 Niagara Prosperity Initiative Projects, **BE RECEIVED** for information; and

That this report **BE CIRCULATED** to the local area municipalities.

A copy of COM 6-2022 is enclosed for your reference.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ann-Marie Norio".

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk

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CLK-C 2022-031

cc: M. Todd, Manager, Social Assistance & Employment Opportunities
A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services
S. Dean, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, Community Services

Subject: Evaluation of 2019 and 2020 Niagara Prosperity Initiative Projects

Report to: Public Health and Social Services Committee

Report date: Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Recommendations

That Report COM 6-2022 **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Key Facts

- The purpose of this report is to provide a summary and evaluation of the 2019 and 2020 Niagara Prosperity Initiative (NPI) funded projects.
- Since 2008, Regional Council has supported local poverty reduction efforts through its annual investment in the NPI program.
- Priorities for 2021 have been informed by impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and as such funding was targeted to needs in the areas of housing, health and domestic violence.
- In October 2021, Council approved a new approach for NPI investments moving forward in the context of a broader Poverty Reduction Strategy, leveraging the findings from the Brock Report [COM 22-2021 Path Forward to Building a Five Year Poverty Reduction Strategy](https://pub-niagararegion.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=19006) (<https://pub-niagararegion.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=19006>).

Financial Considerations

Regional Council, as part of the Community Services operating budget, reviews the investment in the NPI annually. \$1,500,000 and \$1,250,000 were approved as part of the 2019 and 2020 operating budgets respectively, with a total of 44 projects funded in those two years. Unspent funds that were returned from prior year completed projects, including interest, allowed an additional \$218,747 to be allocated for a total of \$2,968,747 over the two years. Of this amount, \$150,000 is allocated each year between the convener (Niagara Community Foundation) and secretariat (United Way Niagara) functions to support administration and stakeholder engagement associated with this initiative.

Analysis

NPI focuses on neighbourhood-based interventions aimed to increase prosperity for Niagara residents living in poverty. Neighbourhoods in need of attention have been identified throughout the region based on key indicators such as the low-income measure, unemployment rate, and educational attainment.

In March of 2020, the lock-down of services due to COVID-19 affected the entire community. Many of the projects funded in 2020 were required to make adjustments to service delivery. In some program areas, the impact of the pandemic, as reported by agencies, led to an increased demand for service and needs for individuals living in poverty. Project details are provided in Appendix A and B.

The following table outlines the contracted amounts by project type for 2019.

Project Type	\$	# of Projects
Housing – Outreach	\$115,196	1
Housing – Stability	\$39,576	1
Housing – Homelessness Prevention	\$142,466	3
Health – Mental Health	\$202,697	3
Health – Children	\$180,389	3
Health – Food	\$88,468	2
Health – Dental	\$184,192	1
Employment – Social Enterprises	\$261,021	5
Neighbourhood – Belonging	\$165,630	4
Neighbourhood - Leadership	\$84,982	1
Total	\$1,464,617	24

The following table outlines the contracted amounts by project type for 2020.

Project Type	\$	# of Projects
Housing – Outreach	\$184,648	2
Housing – Stability	\$186,149	5
Housing – Homelessness Prevention	\$175,973	3
Health – Mental Health	\$278,210	3
Health – Food	\$81,735	3
Health – Dental	\$139,586	1
Employment – Social Enterprises	\$157,829	3

Project Type	\$	# of Projects
Total	\$1,204,130	20

NPI projects are required to submit quarterly and final reports that include:

- Number of children, youth, adults and/or seniors served;
- Outcomes achieved and measured;
- Lessons learned and recommendations for future initiatives;
- Specific examples of impact to neighbourhood/community; and
- Testimonials from project participants.

The NPI secretariat and/or convener complete site visits/program reviews throughout the funding period to ensure contractual obligations are being met.

All 2019 and 2020 funded projects stayed within their approved budgets, provided reports and passed their site visits/program reviews.

A tally of the final reports from the 2019 and 2020 projects provided the following information:

Year	Total People Expected	Total People Served	Jobs Created	Revenue Generated
2019	4,932	4,993	184	\$269,697
2020	5,365	5,898	140	\$60,254
Total	10,297	10,891	324	\$329,951

2021 Funded Projects

There are currently 16 projects being funded from the 2021 Regional budget (COM 19 - 2021 Niagara Prosperity Initiative 2021Update). NPI is committed to providing supports to help the community rebuild and recover from the devastating impacts of COVID-19. The pandemic has exacerbated and amplified many of the issues caused by poverty. To address this, the 2021 NPI request for proposals (RFP) targeted needs in the areas of housing, health and domestic violence. Contracts with these projects will be ending August 30, 2022 and evaluations will be available at the end of 2022.

Path Forward to Building a Five-Year Poverty Reduction Strategy

In October 2021, Council approved a new approach for NPI investments moving forward in the context of a broader poverty reduction strategy. Work is underway to

develop a Niagara Region Poverty Reduction Strategy, led by Niagara Region, as well as establish a Niagara Region Poverty Reduction Steering Committee, and transition the administration of the NPI in-house to Community Services.

Alternatives Reviewed

This report provides information on the 2019 and 2020 NPI funded projects. Work is underway on a new approach for NPI investments in the context of a broader Poverty Reduction Strategy.

Relationship to Council Strategic Priorities

Investing in Healthy and Vibrant Communities to foster a high quality of life through safe, healthy, and inclusive neighbourhoods and delivery of quality, affordable and accessible human services.

Other Pertinent Reports

COM 25-2019	Niagara Prosperity Initiative 2019 Update
COM 12-2020	Niagara Prosperity Initiative 2020 Update
COM 19-2021	Niagara Prosperity Initiative 2021 Update
COM 22-2021	Path Forward to Building a Five Year Poverty Reduction Strategy

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Appendices

Appendix A 2019 Individual NPI Project Evaluations

Appendix B 2020 Individual NPI Project Evaluations

Appendix A – 2019 Individual NPI Project Evaluations

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Outreach
Niagara Outreach Worker Agency: Gateway Residential & Community Support Services of Niagara Inc. Municipality: All Niagara	Two street Outreach Workers provided mobile services and supports to vulnerable and disadvantaged citizens. Services were provided to people who were at urgent risk of becoming homeless and the chronically or persistently homeless.	Result: This funding provided opportunities for interactions with individuals who are homeless and or sleeping rough. We also partnered with The Raft to identify homeless youth and provided them with the supports to move into affordable housing.
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I am now in the Housing First Program with Gateway. I am no longer living in a shelter with all my kids. My family now has a place to call home.”
Contract Amount \$115,196	Expected Actual	
Amount Spent \$115,196	Children 0-12 0 10	
Contract Length 2 years	Youth 13-18 4 43	
Jobs Expected 2	Adult 19-64 200 259	
Jobs Created 0	Seniors 65+ 80 23	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL 284 335	
Revenue Generated\$0.00		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Stability
Housing Coordinator Agency: Welland Heritage Council and Multicultural Centre Municipality: Welland	Newcomers falling into precarious housing or homelessness were provided education about housing/renting in Canada, and supports through the process of finding, securing, and maintaining stable housing.	Result: A series of Rent-Ready workshops were conducted which helped clients with budgeting and learning about renting costs and the rights and responsibilities of tenants. We were able to secure housing for 11 families and 38 single individuals.
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “They give me food, they give me apartment, clothes, education and information on the community and help me find a job and help me find a permanent home in Mississauga. Without this help I would be homeless.”
Contract Amount \$39,576	Expected Actual	
Amount Spent \$38,103	Children 0-12 5 30	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 4 7	
Jobs Expected 0	Adult 19-64 71 79	
Jobs Created 0	Seniors 65+ 5 6	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL 85 122	
Revenue Generated\$0.00		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Prevention		
Rental Assistance Service Agency: Grimsby Benevolent Fund Municipality: Grimsby	This program provided one-time rent assistance for people facing eviction and subsidy for people paying more than 30% of their total income on rent.	Result: Individuals and families were able to stay housed and remain in the town of Grimsby. Individuals identified that their stress and anxiety levels were reduced due to the ability to pay their rent on time.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served		Expected	Actual
Contract Amount \$35,000	Children 0-12		3	24
Amount Spent \$35,000	Youth 13-18		6	14
Contract Length 1 year	Adult 19-64		11	39
Jobs Expected 0	Seniors 65+		2	1
Jobs Created 0	TOTAL		22	78
Revenue Expected \$0.00				
Revenue Generated\$0.00				

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Prevention		
Intensive Casemanagement Agency: Project SHARE of Niagara Falls Inc. Municipality: Niagara Falls	Working one-on-one to address the needs of clients with multiple barriers to provide support, accountability, community referrals and advocacy for the client in their search for stable housing.	Result: This project has provided the means and support to help clients transition from being homeless to securing shelter. We are aware of 7 clients who secured housing, 5 clients were referred to the Housing First Program, and 3 were referred to the Home for Good Program.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served		Expected	Actual
Contract Amount \$52,235	Children 0-12		1	3
Amount Spent \$52,235	Youth 13-18		8	9
Contract Length 1 year	Adult 19-64		15	20
Jobs Expected 0	Seniors 65+		4	8
Jobs Created 0	TOTAL		28	40
Revenue Expected \$0.00				
Revenue Generated\$0.00				

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Prevention
The Niagara Rooming House Project Agency: Start Me Up Niagara Municipality: St. Catharines	Assisted landlords and tenants with practical supports to ensure issues that negatively impact tenancy in single room occupancy dwellings were addressed.	Result: Supported 64 individuals in maintaining their housing and independence. Barriers to housing were addressed, for example, individuals experiencing mobility concerns were assisted in obtaining mobility devices.
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I was homeless, moved into a rooming house, now moved into a shared two bedroom apartment with a roommate. Got lots of help I was able to get my taxes done for the past 10 years.”
Contract Amount \$55,231	Expected Actual	
Amount Spent \$54,834	Children 0-12 0 0	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 0 0	
Jobs Expected 0	Adult 19-64 47 43	
Jobs Created 0	Seniors 65+ 8 21	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL 55 64	
Revenue Generated\$0.00		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – MH Outreach
Mental Health & Addictions Coach Project Agency: Canadian Mental Health Association Niagara Branch Municipality: All Niagara	The Coaches support individuals in YWCA shelters who are experiencing mental health and addiction issues that interfere with their ability to find and maintain housing and employment, and help them develop a connection to their community.	Result: Impact over the long term was measured through clients not returning to shelters. Client experience surveys spoke to experience from beginning to end. In mental health, the OCAN was used to track how identified needs at the beginning of service were met, and from Addiction, the GAIN was used to measure stability.
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I became first involved when I became homeless and ended up at the YWCA women’s shelter and am currently involved in one-on-one therapy and group therapy. The best thing that has happened is that I have hope for a future again... cannot put in words and will be forever grateful.”
Contract Amount \$136,037	Expected Actual	
Amount Spent \$136,037	Children 0-12 0 0	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 0 3	
Jobs Expected 19	Adult 19-64 279 363	
Jobs Created 12	Seniors 65+ 18 9	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL 297 375	
Revenue Generated\$0.00		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – MH Outreach		
Return 2 Hope Counselling Program Agency: The Hope Centre Municipality: Welland	This project offered free, high quality counselling service to individuals without access to affordable mental health services. A registered psychotherapist offered group and individual counseling sessions.	Result: Success has been letting clients talk through their stories and help them regulate their emotional responses. Individuals were able to access specialized support and undergo rigorous self-assessments when needed.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I was referred by a housing worker in the community for deeper counselling. While my housing worker was able to listen to my needs and concerns, she felt I needed to talk to someone who could get into some of my interpersonal issues. Counselling provided made me feel hopeful.”		
Contract Amount \$53,460	Expected	Actual		
Amount Spent \$52,596	Children 0-12	0	0	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	0	21	
Jobs Expected 0	Adult 19-64	421	464	
Jobs Created 0	Seniors 65+	106	47	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL	527	532	
Revenue Generated\$0.00				

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – MH Outreach		
Westview at Night Agency: Westview Christian Fellowship Municipality: St. Catharines	This project offered support to sex trade workers and those struggling with addiction by providing a nutritious hot meal, supplies, clothing, advocacy and a safe place to share concerns.	Result: We have seen outcomes of women connecting with Doctors to go on methadone to slowly come off street drugs, and we have seen other women reconnect with Family and Children’s Services to start access / visitation to their children.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “When I come in I ask for support, supplies, food etc. they are helpful and care about me. I’d be lost without this program, without them I have no support.”		
Contract Amount \$13,200	Expected	Actual		
Amount Spent \$13,189	Children 0-12	0	0	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	0	0	
Jobs Expected 0	Adult 19-64	150	177	
Jobs Created 0	Seniors 65+	0	0	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL	150	177	
Revenue Generated\$0.00				

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Children	
Youth Summer Sports Camp – YSSC Jeunesse en action Agency: Centre de sante communautaire Municipality: Welland	A free eight-week sports camp to increase the emotional health and wellbeing for Francophone children aged 7 to 13 from low-income families.	Result: Post surveys showed that 100% of parents were more than satisfied with our sports camp. 96% were more than satisfied about the food served, the sports activities presented throughout the week and the communication with the staff.	
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Being an only child can be hard on social skills and the camp has improved my daughter’s greatly. She has been exposed to new sports and activities and is more active.”	
Contract Amount \$31,680	Expected	Actual	
Amount Spent \$31,658	Children 0-12 40	54	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 0	0	
Jobs Expected 0	Adult 19-64 0	0	
Jobs Created 0	Seniors 65+ 0	0	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL	40	54
Revenue Generated\$0.00			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Children	
Strengthening Families for the Future Agency: John Howard Society Municipality: All Niagara	Supports for families and children who may be at risk for mental health issues and substance use. The program included individual sessions followed by family sessions, role-play and interactive activities to promote problem solving and communication skills.	Result: Unfortunately COVID-19 occurred during the last half of the sessions. While we were not able to hold traditional sessions as we had previously done, we were able to hold virtual sessions with many of the participants in order for them to complete the program.	
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I asked my FACS worker if there were any family programs for me and my children and she referred me to the Strengthening Families program Learning how to communicate and talk openly to solve problems. We sometimes struggled to talk openly when frustrated or upset.”	
Contract Amount \$53,262	Expected	Actual	
Amount Spent \$53,262	Children 0-12 80	32	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 15	9	
Jobs Expected 3	Adult 19-64 44	25	
Jobs Created 3	Seniors 65+ 6	4	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL	145	70
Revenue Generated\$0.00			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Children		
Moving Forward Agency: Strive Niagara Municipality: Niagara Falls, Port Colborne, St. Catharines, Welland	Trauma-informed, customized individual / group interventions including information, education/skills building, referral and expert support to teenage parents.	Result: Our project was successful because our participants became more confident with our programming and attendance increased monthly as a result of them feeling safe and secure not only in their trauma informed classroom but with the childcare that was provided as well.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I was referred through my OW worker to get credits to finish high school. My daughter is socializing. Because I want to graduate and it’s a lot easier having my daughter here with me. It’s a better work environment being with people that understand my situation.”		
Contract Amount \$95,447	Expected	Actual		
Amount Spent \$91,013	Children 0-12	87	73	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	25	31	
Jobs Expected 0	Adult 19-64	75	57	
Jobs Created 0	Seniors 65+	0	0	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL	187	161	
Revenue Generated\$0.00				

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Food		
Weekends Without Hunger Agency: Food4Kids Niagara Municipality: Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Welland	This project expanded the weekend program that provides access to food, to reach an additional 60 children in four schools that are experiencing food insecurity.	Result: We were successfully able to add 60 children at 4 schools in 3 municipalities to our program. 100% of the respondents indicated that their children were less hungry, happier and healthier.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I was referred through the principal at school and my kids each get a bag of food every Friday which helps a lot. It’s been a great help and support. Not always having to worry is nice. Kids want to eat a lot and you feel pretty bad when you have to tell them no or when you don’t have enough.”		
Contract Amount \$38,830	Expected	Actual		
Amount Spent \$38,807	Children 0-12	54	52	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	6	8	
Jobs Expected 1	Adult 19-64	0	0	
Jobs Created 3	Seniors 65+	0	0	
Revenue Expected \$0.00	TOTAL	60	60	
Revenue Generated\$0.00				

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Food																				
The Good Food Box Agency: Links for Greener Learning Municipality: Niagara Falls, Fort Erie, Port Colborne, St. Catharines, Welland	This project aimed to increase the use of fresh food in daily meals by reaching out to communities with barriers to accessing fresh and affordable produce and providing low cost, high value monthly fresh produce boxes.	Result: Increased delivery of food boxes from 100 to around 200 per month. Food grown in our gardens added more fresh food to the box that helped us with wintertime when food is more expensive and we used these resources to add more food at this time of the year.																				
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “My family got involved with this program as newcomers. We currently are involved in the program and we are willing to help it as volunteers if necessary. The groceries that we received have helped the family as well as the things donated to my daycare.”																				
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Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Dental																				
Brushed Aside 2019 Agency: Community Care St. Catharines and Thorold Municipality: All Niagara	This project provided access to dental care services and dentures for adults in need of treatment.	Result: This year we had a lower number of clients accessing the program due to COVID-19. Adjustments in treatment costs had to be made after the 5-month closures. With the assistance of this project, we contributed to individuals’ pain relief, dentures, and many other dental needs.																				
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “As a senior, I have no access to dental benefits and I was badly in need of assistance after my dentist had removed all of my infected teeth. I needed dentures but could not afford the cost upfront. I was approved for the brushed aside program and was able to get my dentures and now I just have a small monthly payment that I am able to afford and I can eat again.”																				
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Project	Description	Funding Stream: Employment – Self-employment																		
Niagara Community Garden Makers Program Agency: Employment Help Centre Municipality: All Niagara	In collaboration with Start Me Up Niagara, this project offered an employment skills training program and market gardening social enterprise for youth and adults.	Result: Provided 166 units of transportation, distributed a total of \$3,750 in volunteer honorariums, facilitated 93 community garden workshops, delivered 78 kitchen workshops and completed 26 farmer's market days as vendors.																		
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Project	Description	Funding Stream: Employment – Self-employment																		
Employ-Ability Skills for Adults with Disabilities Agency: Heartland Forest Nature Experience Municipality: All Niagara	A structured and goal-oriented work experience programs for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities through development of employ-ability skills and exploration of social procurement strategies.	Result: 20% were able to gain permanent positions in competitive employment, 40% enrolled in the Work Experience Program, 10% received employment supports, 60% were able to find permanent opportunities.																		
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Youth 13-18	15	23																		
Adult 19-64	30	30																		
Seniors 65+	100	133																		
TOTAL	145	186																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Employment – Self-employment																		
Niagara Furniture Bank Training and Skill Development Centre Agency: Niagara Furniture Bank Municipality: All Niagara	The Niagara Furniture Bank warehouse is used as a "classroom" for Start Me Up Niagara (SMUN) clients. Training options include warehouse logistics, warehouse maintenance, inventory, janitorial, fleet maintenance, woodworking repair and reception/scheduling.	Result: Participants were trained for 3-month periods at the Niagara Furniture Bank. This training increased NFB ability to service more clients with an increased work force. Participants gained knowledge of warehouse management and administration duties around inventory.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$53,064 Amount Spent \$39,286 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 12 Jobs Created 22 Revenue Expected \$0.00 Revenue Generated \$0.00	Number Served <table border="1" data-bbox="640 667 1281 894"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>12</td> <td>22</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>12</td> <td>22</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	0	0	Youth 13-18	0	0	Adult 19-64	12	22	Seniors 65+	0	0	TOTAL	12	22	Testimonial: “The Work Action program connected me with Niagara Furniture Bank. Covid-19 caused me to be laid off and not be able to complete my program. Niagara Furniture Bank provided me with flexible work hours, skills for other employment and a positive work environment.”
	Expected	Actual																		
Children 0-12	0	0																		
Youth 13-18	0	0																		
Adult 19-64	12	22																		
Seniors 65+	0	0																		
TOTAL	12	22																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Employment – Self-employment																		
Southridge Jam Company Agency: Southridge Shelter Municipality: St. Catharines	This social enterprise produces and sells small-batch jams while providing individuals who are transitioning from homelessness with stability, purpose and positive momentum from job and life skills training.	Result: Goal was to progress toward sustainability within four years. Sales trends are up almost 150% and retail channels increased in 2019. Program participants found increased purpose and employability.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$35,588 Amount Spent \$33,951 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 6 Jobs Created 16 Revenue Expected \$48,314 Revenue Generated \$57,440	Number Served <table border="1" data-bbox="640 1256 1281 1484"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>6</td> <td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>6</td> <td>16</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	0	0	Youth 13-18	0	0	Adult 19-64	6	16	Seniors 65+	0	0	TOTAL	6	16	Testimonial: “As a resident of the Shelter I was invited to join the Jam Company on Wednesdays. It makes me happy giving back to the shelter. I enjoy working with people. It makes me feel like I am doing something.”
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Children 0-12	0	0																		
Youth 13-18	0	0																		
Adult 19-64	6	16																		
Seniors 65+	0	0																		
TOTAL	6	16																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Employment – Self-employment																		
Fresh Paint Agency: The RAFT Municipality: All Niagara	This social enterprise project provides at-risk youth opportunities to work with experienced contractors to complete unit turnover preparation for Niagara Regional Housing.	Result: The project was a success due to the impact it had on youth and the work completed for Niagara Regional Housing renovations at the homeless youth shelter. While our youth succeeded in learning job traits our target of having constant and steady work sites lined up on a weekly basis were not met due to COVID-19.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$71,572 Amount Spent \$71,572 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 24 Jobs Created 9 Revenue Expected \$140,000 Revenue Generated \$87,777	Number Served <table border="1" data-bbox="640 711 1218 927"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>24</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>24</td> <td>9</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	0	0	Youth 13-18	0	1	Adult 19-64	24	8	Seniors 65+	0	0	TOTAL	24	9	Testimonial: “I was unemployed and looking for work at the time. My RAFT worker mentioned this program to me. After the interview, I was hired and now I'm working for the Fresh Paint project by the RAFT. The best thing about this project is that I secured a job and now I am able to get off government assistance.”
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Children 0-12	0	0																		
Youth 13-18	0	1																		
Adult 19-64	24	8																		
Seniors 65+	0	0																		
TOTAL	24	9																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Empowerment – Belonging																		
With My Friends Agency: Community Living Municipality: Port Colborne, Wainfleet	This project provided an opportunity for children from low-income families to attend summer camps at Heartland Forest, I CANTER or YMCA in July and August 2019.	Result: Children gained new skills and experiences. Improved their social and communication skills, leadership skills and self-esteem.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$15,840 Amount Spent \$15,840 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 0 Jobs Created 0 Revenue Expected \$0.00 Revenue Generated \$0.00	Number Served <table border="1" data-bbox="640 1265 1218 1481"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>25</td> <td>25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>25</td> <td>25</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	25	25	Youth 13-18	0	0	Adult 19-64	0	0	Seniors 65+	0	0	TOTAL	25	25	Testimonial: “There is no way that I could ever give them the kinds of experiences they got at camp. My children and I live from paycheck to paycheck. Money is always an issue. The kids got to do things that I could never afford to do with them.”
	Expected	Actual																		
Children 0-12	25	25																		
Youth 13-18	0	0																		
Adult 19-64	0	0																		
Seniors 65+	0	0																		
TOTAL	25	25																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Empowerment – Belonging																		
Helping West Niagara Youth Agency: Fort Municipality: West Lincoln	The FORT offered free after-school and summer programming, resources, and guidance in Smithville.	Result: Helped youth stay in school, learn life skills, and maintain positive mental health. Provided daily homework help, peer-to-peer tutoring, and access to the internet for research and projects.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$40,234 Amount Spent \$40,234 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 10 Jobs Created 5 Revenue Expected \$0.00 Revenue Generated \$0.00	Number Served <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>40</td> <td>78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>150</td> <td>45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>190</td> <td>123</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	40	78	Youth 13-18	150	45	Adult 19-64	0	0	Seniors 65+	0	0	TOTAL	190	123	Testimonial: “We come everyday after school. I love the free access to food and the technology like the new computers. It's important because I don't get to use computers at home and I can play with friends.”
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Children 0-12	40	78																		
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Adult 19-64	0	0																		
Seniors 65+	0	0																		
TOTAL	190	123																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Empowerment – Belonging																		
Building Community on Queen Agency: Third Space Cafe Municipality: Niagara Falls	This social enterprise provides an inclusive workplace for those who face barriers to employment because of physical, cognitive, and invisible disabilities.	Result: Hired individuals who have experienced barriers to employment and helped them be successful in their work. Free meals were provided in partnership with Small Scale Farms to individuals in need.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$32,050 Amount Spent \$29,277 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 8 Jobs Created 7 Revenue Expected \$85,000 Revenue Generated \$100,682	Number Served <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>0</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>0</td> <td>19</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>555</td> <td>523</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>0</td> <td>70</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>555</td> <td>618</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	0	6	Youth 13-18	0	19	Adult 19-64	555	523	Seniors 65+	0	70	TOTAL	555	618	Testimonial: “My NTEC found me this job. I met a lot of people and I love my boss. Now I am giving money out to people and I can make banana bread by myself. I like trying new things.”
	Expected	Actual																		
Children 0-12	0	6																		
Youth 13-18	0	19																		
Adult 19-64	555	523																		
Seniors 65+	0	70																		
TOTAL	555	618																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Empowerment – Belonging																		
Westview Centre 4 Women Agency: Westview Christian Fellowship Municipality: St. Catharines	Services include hot meals, pantry access, laundry services, literacy classes, education, employment / housing support, haircuts, hygiene, free clothing, income tax classes, and field trips.	Result: Offered opportunities that are not readily available in the Queenston community. Women attended our programs and built trust as we supported them and guided them to new and better opportunities.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$77,506 Amount Spent \$77,506 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 35 Jobs Created 45 Revenue Expected \$0.00 Revenue Generated\$0.00	Number Served <table border="1" data-bbox="640 597 1281 818"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>60</td> <td>65</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>15</td> <td>18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>600</td> <td>482</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>20</td> <td>43</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>695</td> <td>608</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	60	65	Youth 13-18	15	18	Adult 19-64	600	482	Seniors 65+	20	43	TOTAL	695	608	Testimonial: “This group has made me feel welcome, normal that I matter and that I am not alone. Which I was for a long time. We all have different stories but we come together and connect in one way or another. I can eat breakfast and lunch even if I have no money because of this place.”
	Expected	Actual																		
Children 0-12	60	65																		
Youth 13-18	15	18																		
Adult 19-64	600	482																		
Seniors 65+	20	43																		
TOTAL	695	608																		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Empowerment – Leadership																		
Community Champions Agency: Westview Christian Fellowship Municipality: St. Catharines	This train-the-trainer project invited local experts from the community to teach participants to become future "Community Champions" who will in turn assist other participants.	Result: Women in this program felt more confident in themselves. As an example, we had women trained in housing supports working with women who need housing.																		
Contract Requirements Contract Amount \$84,982 Amount Spent \$84,982 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Expected 50 Jobs Created 39 Revenue Expected \$0.00 Revenue Generated\$0.00	Number Served <table border="1" data-bbox="640 1188 1281 1409"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>10</td> <td>11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>10</td> <td>32</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>400</td> <td>168</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>10</td> <td>27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>430</td> <td>239</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	10	11	Youth 13-18	10	32	Adult 19-64	400	168	Seniors 65+	10	27	TOTAL	430	239	Testimonial: “I was applying for a job as the cook and got it. I have learned so much that I am now able to help others in the program. I often take a leadership role when staff are busy. I like the women and feel that my help is useful to them. I see women working hard to improve themselves.”
	Expected	Actual																		
Children 0-12	10	11																		
Youth 13-18	10	32																		
Adult 19-64	400	168																		
Seniors 65+	10	27																		
TOTAL	430	239																		

Appendix B – 2020 Individual NPI Project Evaluations

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Outreach
Niagara Dual Diagnosis Outreach Worker Specialist Agency: Gateway Residential & Community Support Services of Niagara Inc. Municipality: All Niagara	Enhancement to the “Assertive Street Outreach” services with the addition of a “Dual Diagnosis Outreach Specialist. Included additional weekend coverage.	Result: We were able to hire an outreach work from Mainstream services who had an enhanced background in developmental disorders. Our weekend worker allowed us to have two workers on each weekend allowing for broader coverage around the region.
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I was referred by The Hope center in Welland. We were enlightened on the availability of help that is out there for people in need of housing, informed about places that can provide furniture. ‘My’ worker...went above and beyond helping ‘me’ find somewhere to live.”
Contract Amount \$112,845	Expected Actual	
Amount Spent \$93,809	Children 0-12 10 21	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 10 14	
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64 60 115	
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+ 10 14	
	TOTAL 90 167	

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Outreach
Westview Centre4Women Agency: Westview Christian Fellowship Municipality: St. Catharines	Services included hot meals, pantry access, laundry services, literacy classes, education, employment / housing support, haircuts, hygiene, free clothing, income tax classes, field trips and many other services.	Result: During lock-down, we had the added concern of keeping everyone safe as well as helping those with mental health / addictions and homelessness. We provided services by opening our window in the kitchen and giving out food and supplies (blankets, coats, Hygiene supplies etc.)
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Before WC4W my life was full of problems, a violent ex, health issues, a whole bunch of issues too many to list, they are all still there however I have people to talk to, support, and most of all a place that cares about me.”
Contract Amount \$71,803	Expected Actual	
Amount Spent \$71,803	Children 0-12 50 20	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 25 67	
Jobs Created 97	Adult 19-64 750 757	
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+ 25 97	
	TOTAL 850 941	

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Stability	
Cyber-Seniors Building Self-Reliance Agency: Cyber-Seniors Connecting Generations Inc. Municipality: Grimsby, Niagara Falls, Welland	Provided low income seniors with access to technology and WiFi within their place of residence. Also included a teaching component.	Result: Due to COVID we immediately pivoted to offer free devices and over-the-phone and virtual training which allowed us to exceed our stated goal. All were provided free devices to help them stay connected and self-sufficient.	
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “It's just at a standstill because we've had to close the common room which is where the computers are and where we study. This is a great set up to be able to get a computer. Especially for seniors who are alone and limited.”	
Contract Amount \$44,679	Expected Actual		
Amount Spent \$44,296	Children 0-12 0 0		
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 0 0		
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64 0 106		
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+ 200 153		
	TOTAL 200 259		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Stability	
Second-Stage Housing and Support Program Agency: Gillian's Place Municipality: St. Catharines	Funding for seven affordable transitional housing units in downtown St. Catharines for women and children escaping violence. Included wrap-around case-management and group life-skills support programming.	Result: There was a delay in receiving our second-stage units because of construction delays due to COVID. Thirteen women and twelve children from Niagara are living in safe and affordable conditions.	
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I've experienced domestic assault from my spouse. Shortly after I was given notice asking me to vacate what used to be my husband and I's apartment. I was offered to participate in a second stage housing program. Hence my son and I moved into our current apartment.”	
Contract Amount \$46,291	Expected Actual		
Amount Spent \$46,291	Children 0-12 10 12		
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 10 0		
Jobs Created 1	Adult 19-64 20 13		
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+ 3 0		
	TOTAL 43 25		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Stability	
Child and Youth Support Program Agency: Project SHARE of Niagara Falls Inc. Municipality: Niagara Falls	Provided essential supports including diapers and wipes, formula, healthy snacks for children, new running shoes and school supplies and Christmas gifts for teenagers.	Result: Many new families found themselves struggling to meet their basic needs due to sudden and in many cases lengthy job losses. Children were home from school for a significant period of time without school nutrition programs, so this program was crucial to help children receive the essential supports they needed.	
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I have participated in the 'Back to School' program for about 10 years. This helps provide the necessary school supplies needed for my children. It also provides financial help to allow me to deal with other household expenses.”	
Contract Amount \$25,465 Amount Spent \$25,453 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Created 0 Revenue Generated \$0.00	Expected Actual Children 0-12 38 47 Youth 13-18 163 163 Adult 19-64 0 0 Seniors 65+ 0 0 TOTAL 201 210		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Stability	
Income Matters Agency: Start Me Up Niagara Municipality: St. Catharines; Thorold	Provided help for low-income and homeless to access finances, budgeting, tax filing, and applications to eligible benefits and credits.	Result: We helped participants obtain extra benefits that the government offered through Canada Pension, Ontario Works, and / or Ontario Disability Support Program. This was done virtually or through the monthly drop-in that was offered.	
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Covid has made it difficult, but it also forced me to be more independent and find out how to accomplish things on my own.”	
Contract Amount \$28,100 Amount Spent \$27,285 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Created 12 Revenue Generated \$13,986	Expected Actual Children 0-12 0 0 Youth 13-18 0 13 Adult 19-64 750 679 Seniors 65+ 100 193 TOTAL 850 885		

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Stability		
Housing Coordinator Agency: Welland Heritage Council and Multicultural Centre Municipality: Welland	Served newcomers in the community; providing shelter intake support, facilitation of transition of clients into permanent housing, promotion of self-reliance, and education about housing and renting in Canada.	Result: Clients learned self-reliance dealing with Covid-19, along with continuous progress accessing resources within the community on their own. Workshops and one-on-one sessions were provided to clients regarding measurable steps to secure permanent housing and knowledge of the Residential Tenancy Act in Ontario.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served			Testimonial: “I was able to live at the immigration shelter where I received support from staff and neighbours to organize my life. They support us in all aspects: mental and physical health, education, work and economy.”
Contract Amount \$41,615		Expected	Actual	
Amount Spent \$41,518	Children 0-12	10	13	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	5	7	
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64	60	60	
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+	5	2	
	TOTAL	80	82	

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Prevention		
Community Housing Workers Agency: Community Care St. Catharines and Thorold Municipality: St. Catharines, Thorold	Two Housing Workers served the vulnerable, low-income population through daily walk-ins or at weekly community drop-in sessions.	Result: Referrals increased over the year, due to COVID. The focus of the Housing Workers shifted to prioritize keeping people housed, and assist with stopping reno-victions and provide mediation with landlords and property managers.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served			Testimonial: “I was living temporarily with my daughter, and was sleeping in the sun room. Once my daughter got an eviction, I know I needed to find a more stable solution. The best part of this program is that I was able to find an affordable unit outside of Niagara Regional Housing. Very Affordable, especially on an OW budget.”
Contract Amount \$78,328		Expected	Actual	
Amount Spent \$73,854	Children 0-12	0	0	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	17	8	
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64	684	644	
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+	102	154	
	TOTAL	803	806	

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Prevention																			
Rental Assistance Service Agency: Grimsby Benevolent Fund Municipality: Grimsby	Provided low-income households with one-time rent assistance for people facing eviction and subsidy for people paying more than 30% of their total income on rent.	Result: This funding allowed us to address households that were at risk of potential homelessness in Grimsby. This funding also assisted individuals that were homeless as we were able to secure housing for them.																			
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I feel much better knowing my rent will be paid. Just so grateful for the support.”																			
Contract Amount \$35,000 Amount Spent \$35,000 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Created 0 Revenue Generated \$0.00	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>4</td> <td>17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>8</td> <td>11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>13</td> <td>32</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>3</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>28</td> <td>65</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	4	17	Youth 13-18	8	11	Adult 19-64	13	32	Seniors 65+	3	5	TOTAL	28	65		
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Adult 19-64	13	32																			
Seniors 65+	3	5																			
TOTAL	28	65																			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Housing – Prevention																			
The Niagara Rooming House Project Agency: Start Me Up Niagara Municipality: St. Catharines	Assisted landlords and tenants with support to ensure issues that negatively impact tenancy in single room occupancy dwellings. Supported individuals with complex needs and/or mental health concerns with the goal of reducing evictions.	Result: Relationships continued with program participants, the housing support worker, and existing landlords. Housing stock was added to this project for Single Room Occupancies, increasing current stock by 5 rooms.																			
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I am currently housed in one of Start Me Up Niagara's rooming houses. I was able to put my life back together and have an opportunity to have a solid base of operation. I was able to get a bank account, identification, a dentist and a family doctor.”																			
Contract Amount \$62,645 Amount Spent \$57,055 Contract Length 1 year Jobs Created 0 Revenue Generated \$0.00	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Expected</th> <th>Actual</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children 0-12</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth 13-18</td> <td>0</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult 19-64</td> <td>30</td> <td>34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seniors 65+</td> <td>10</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>40</td> <td>43</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Expected	Actual	Children 0-12	0	0	Youth 13-18	0	1	Adult 19-64	30	34	Seniors 65+	10	8	TOTAL	40	43		
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Youth 13-18	0	1																			
Adult 19-64	30	34																			
Seniors 65+	10	8																			
TOTAL	40	43																			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Mental Health		
Mental Health & Addictions Coach Project Agency: Canadian Mental Health Association Niagara Branch Municipality: All Niagara	Collaboration with YWCA Niagara shelters employing full-time Mental Health & Addiction Coaches. The Coaches supported individuals in YWCA shelters who are experiencing mental health and addiction issues that interfere with their ability to find and maintain housing and employment.	Result: Coaches connected with individuals right from entering the shelter system, and continued to follow them up into the community until they were able to be linked to other services, and were able to achieve some level of stability in terms of their mental health, addictions, finances, and housing.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Being involved with this program has helped me immensely with my anxiety issues. My worker has reintroduced me to many coping skills I had forgotten about. She has also introduced me to other tools and agencies that can help in urgent situations.”		
Contract Amount \$118,904	Expected	Actual		
Amount Spent \$118,904	Children 0-12	0	0	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	0	0	
Jobs Created 3	Adult 19-64	286	199	
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+	22	0	
	TOTAL	308	199	

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Mental Health		
Peer Support in the Emergency Department for People Experiencing Homelessness Agency: Quest Community Health Centre Municipality: All Niagara	Peer support workers with lived experience provided nonclinical and referral assistance to homeless individuals. Positive peer interactions expected to reduce social isolation and exclusion, increase referrals to services and help counteract negative perceptions of the healthcare system.	Result: Referrals/connections were made to different programs and services such as shelters, mental health services, detox centers, and more. The program was paused twice due to the COVID-19 pandemic and was operational for only a period of 25 weeks.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Went to the hospital cuz my mouth was hurting seen the sign by the phone saying need help with homelessness, so I called them in. Friendship, as well as someone that relates and truly cares helping people, goes that extra step. Cuz it is good to talk with a person that has been through the same problems and to see where he’s at, well that gives a person like me hope.”		
Contract Amount \$91,694	Expected	Actual		
Amount Spent \$66,110	Children 0-12	0	0	
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18	10	0	
Jobs Created 4	Adult 19-64	90	144	
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+	40	11	
	TOTAL	140	155	

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Mental Health		
Return 2 Hope Counselling Program Agency: The Hope Centre Municipality: Welland	Provided free, high quality counselling service to individuals without access to affordable mental health services. A registered psychotherapist offered group and individual counseling sessions.	Result: Our pivot to virtual counselling (zoom, Teams, phone) ensured that our services were maintained for those that were in need. Most common conversation with clients has been coping skills during lock downs.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Having someone to talk to about my depression has helped me with some coping plans. I didn't know how to deal with the depression. I wasn't leaving my house, and when covid happened, it really got worse. Knowing that there is somebody to help me, and that they gave me some things to try when things are dark, has really helped me.”		
Contract Amount \$67,612	Expected Actual			
Amount Spent \$36,171	Children 0-12 0 0			
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 0 3			
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64 150 186			
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+ 50 28			
	TOTAL 200 217			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Food		
The Good Food Box Plus Pop-Up Markets Agency: Links for Greener Learning Municipality: Fort Erie, Niagara Falls, Port Colborne, St. Catharines, Welland, West Lincoln	This project reached out to communities with barriers to accessing fresh and affordable produce by providing low cost and high value monthly fresh produce boxes to households. Pop-up markets implemented in food deserts in partnership with Niagara Public Health.	Result: More than 3,800 boxes delivered. Around 30 clients learned about healthy eating every month. 12 online cooking classes were delivered to connect clients and prevent them from isolation.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I started seeing my medical team at Bridges Community Health Centre; they encouraged me to cut grocery bill by ordering from good food box programs, I have been happy with buying fruits and vegetables from this place, and what a difference it made to my life.”		
Contract Amount \$52,828	Expected Actual			
Amount Spent \$52,828	Children 0-12 150 349			
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 100 90			
Jobs Created 1	Adult 19-64 250 395			
Revenue Generated \$3,120	Seniors 65+ 200 36			
	TOTAL 700 870			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Food		
Service Hours Expansion Agency: Open Arms Mission - Welland Municipality: Welland	This funding extended service hours for the Welland foodbank in the afternoon to decrease barriers to access healthy food.	Result: Prior to this project, we only had 12 hours a week to serve our clients. We now have 24 hours a week. We saw an increase in the numbers of people attending and an increase in food supplies being provided.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “I am grateful that the food bank is open later. Winter was the hardest season for me to get around because I don't drive. I need to take the bus to get to the food bank. With the limited bus schedule due to COVID, it was even harder than past years. Thankfully, with the extended hours, it was easier to get to the food bank.”		
Contract Amount \$14,638	Expected Actual			
Amount Spent \$13,582	Children 0-12 60 54			
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 8 20			
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64 99 168			
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+ 41 6			
	TOTAL 208 248			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Food		
Growing Food Security Agency: Project SHARE of Niagara Falls Inc. Municipality: Niagara Falls	This project provided workshops and events on planting, growing, preparing and preserving produce. Funding was used to double the size of the urban farm at Westlane Secondary allowing a 50% increase in fresh produce.	Result: We were able to build 5 new plots for families in need. Garden participants were extra attentive to their gardens this year and many reported growing between 200 & 300 pounds of produce for their families. Garden participants shared with us that the gardens helped decrease isolation and boosted their mood.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “So much positive results come from the community gardens. It's great to have a hobby that is outside of work and home life. It encourages healthy eating, being outdoors, sense of accomplishment, calming/relaxing effect on my mental health.”		
Contract Amount \$14,270	Expected Actual			
Amount Spent \$14,270	Children 0-12 100 36			
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 20 75			
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64 80 145			
Revenue Generated \$0.00	Seniors 65+ 20 58			
	TOTAL 220 314			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Health – Dental		
Brushed Aside 2020 Agency: Community Care St. Catharines and Thorold Municipality: All Niagara	This program funded either the dental needs of individuals who are ineligible for publicly funded programs, or the unfunded portion of those who are eligible. Offered through five partner agencies across Niagara. The maximum annual allotment per client is \$1000.	Result: Brushed Aside served our clients by handling dental infections, allowing for comfort and confidence in their smile again. Without this program, our clients would have been left in pain, leading to possible further medical conditions, mental or physical deterioration. Targets were not met in this cycle of the program because of COVID.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Engaging in more social activities since the dental treatment. Feeling more confident with social interaction Missed smiling. Confidence has been boosted. Very helpful. Without the program dental care could have been afforded.”		
Contract Amount \$139,586	Expected Actual			
Amount Spent \$84,209	Children 0-12 0 0			
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 0 0			
Jobs Created 0	Adult 19-64 127 77			
Revenue Generated \$3,407	Seniors 65+ 0 13			
	TOTAL 127 90			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Social Enterprises		
Employ-Ability Skills for Adults with Disabilities Agency: Heartland Forest Nature Experience Municipality: All Niagara	This project offered structured and goal-oriented work experience programs for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Local businesses and community partner developed individual’s employ-ability skills through centre and community based positions.	Result: Heartland Forest saw 80% of its revenue suddenly disappear when COVID-19 hit. Despite the impacts of the pandemic, participants were able to safely experience different sectors of work, specifically administration, facility set up, maintenance, day program support, wood shop support and gift shop orders.		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: “Our daughter is reluctant to join new groups. We are very pleased that she feels comfortable with this program. The worker has made our daughter feel very welcome which is important to a person that does not like change and has social phobias.”		
Contract Amount \$48,895	Expected Actual			
Amount Spent \$36,091	Children 0-12 0 0			
Contract Length 1 year	Youth 13-18 15 1			
Jobs Created 4	Adult 19-64 30 16			
Revenue Generated \$3,227	Seniors 65+ 100 121			
	TOTAL 145 138			

Project	Description	Funding Stream: Social Enterprises																		
Garden Makers Program Agency: Links for Greener Learning Municipality: Lincoln, Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Welland	This project provided socially marginalized people an opportunity to gain practical skills and training through community gardening.	Result: Participants developed a broad range of assets that make them more employable for local farms, kitchen, and retail in Niagara.																		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: "I became involved in the project through volunteer projects. It has helped me with new skill and I feel very good because I have learn more English. Because I have the opportunity to practice English and meet different people."																		
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Fresh Paint Agency: The RAFT Municipality: All Niagara	This project provided at-risk youth opportunities to work with experienced contractors to complete unit turnover preparation for Niagara Regional Housing. Youth were paid competitive wages while working with Youth Reconnect to ensure healthy life decisions and support to remain housed.	Result: We have been able to hire a steady group of youth between the ages of 16-24 and have had some move on to other employment companies in the trades and labour sector.																		
Contract Requirements	Number Served	Testimonial: "I have always struggled in jobs and workplace settings in the past, but this program has patience with me and allows me to feel more comfortable where I work. It was one of my favourite jobs I have ever been a part of."																		
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February 18, 2022

CL 4-2022, February 17, 2022
CSC 2-2022, February 9, 2022
Minute Item 5.3, February 9, 2022

LOCAL AREA MUNICIPALITIES

THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO)

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Motion – Violence and Harassment of Politicians and Public Servants

Minute Item 5.3

Regional Council, at its meeting held on February 17, 2022, approved the following resolution of its Corporate Services Committee:

WHEREAS violent attacks, online harassment, and physical intimidation of politicians and public servants is on the rise, and is something we've repeatedly witnessed in our communities;

WHEREAS Niagara Regional Council condemns the latest violent act against St. Catharines City Councillor Porter and her family and wants our communities to know that such acts are unacceptable and will not be tolerated; and

WHEREAS everyone should be free from harassment and violence in their workplaces and their homes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Niagara Regional Council **CONDEMNS** these acts of violence, harassment, and intimidation against our Regional Council colleagues, our local area municipal counterparts, all public servants and all health care providers; and
2. That this motion **BE CIRCULATED** to the local area municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), to consider passing similar resolutions.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ann Marie Norio".

Ann-Marie Norio

Regional Clerk

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CLK-C 2022-032



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February 23, 2022

Bonnie Nistico-Dunk
City Clerk
City of St. Catharines
50 Church St.
PO Box 3012
St. Catharines, ON L2R 7C2

bdunk@stcatharines.ca

Dear Ms. Nistico-Dunk:

**Acts of Violence, Harassment and Intimidation against Elected
Officials and Government Employees**

At their regular meeting of February 22, 2022 Council of the Town of Pelham received your correspondence, and endorsed the following:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive correspondence from the City of St. Catharines regarding Acts of Violence, Harassment and Intimidation against Elected Officials and Government Employees, for information;

AND THAT the Council for the Town of Pelham endorse and support the resolution from the City of St. Catharines;

AND THAT the Town Clerk is hereby directed to circulate a copy of this resolution to the Niagara Region and Local Area Clerks.

On behalf of Council, thank you for your correspondence.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Leah".

Sarah Leah
Deputy Clerk

HW/jm

cc: Holly Willford, Town Clerk
Ann Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, Niagara Region ann-marie.norio@niagararegion.ca
Area Clerks (via email)



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February 17, 2022

File No. 22-52

SENT VIA EMAIL

City of St. Catharines
P.O. Box 3012
50 Church Street
St. Catharines, ON L2R 7C2

Attention: Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk

Dear Ms. Nistico-Dunk:

Re: February 15, 2022 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL

At its meeting of February 15, 2022, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the City of St. Catharines dated February 3, 2022 regarding Acts of Violence, Harassment and Intimidation against Elected Officials and Government Employees.”

Yours truly,

Tara Stephens,
City Clerk

TS:bl

c.c.: - Local Area Municipalities, sent via email



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VIA EMAIL (premier@ontario.ca)

February 22, 2022

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office
Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3

Dear Premier Ford:

RE: RESOLUTION OF THE ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL

At its Regular Meeting held Monday, February 14, 2022 the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville passed the following motion in support of the Town of Aurora, Request for Support for Government of Ontario to dissolve the Ontario Land Tribunal. (copy enclosed).

"138-02142022

Moved By Deputy Mayor Gord Queen

Seconded By Councillor Kim DeYong

Whereas Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy; and

Whereas an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of our community; and

Whereas our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community; and

Whereas our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province; and

Whereas it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or

fit within the vision of The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville's Official Plan;
and

Whereas it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville's Official Plan; and

Whereas municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville; and

Whereas the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans; and

Whereas all decisions—save planning decisions—made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process; and

Whereas Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans; and

Whereas towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings; and

Whereas lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing.

Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario; and

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; and

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

CARRIED

Please contact the undersigned if you should require any further information.

Yours very truly,



Paula Parker
Town Clerk
Legislative Services Department
pparker@kingsville.ca

cc:

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