

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #1: Africans in Partnership Against AIDS
110 Spadina Avenue, Suite 207, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization serves lonely and depressed individuals living with or affected by HIV/AIDS in the area bounded by Steeles Avenue West, the Humber River, western and southern boundaries of the City of Toronto. Services include a telephone counseling and befriending service 24-hours a day, 7 days a week, and a home visiting program. This organization is located in Ward 20 (Trinity-Spadina).

Project Information: Young, Black and Living with AIDS

The project seeks to address the issues related to being a Black youth living with AIDs in Canada. The project will provide training to 16 youth to understand the basics of photography; understand the power of the image in shaping attitudes, behaviours and expectations; develop a portfolio of their lives as Black youth living with HIV/AIDS and use the photos to generate awareness and discussion of AIDS in the community. This project targets youth from Regent Park, Jamestown and Lawrence Heights neighbourhoods. The youth development component of the project will focus on the youth learning the technical skills associated with traditional and digital photography. The youth leadership component will focus on developing facilitation and community development skills among the youth. The youth will use these skills to promote, organize and facilitate seminar on living with AIDS for other youth and the community.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 20.

Target Group:

Youth from Regent Park, Jamestown and Lawrence Heights.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Jamestown, Lawrence Heights. The project will also involve youth in other neighbourhood: Regent Park.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$13,027.00	\$3,177.00	\$9,850.00	\$9,800.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$9,800.00 to support the "Young, Black and Living with AIDS" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and training sessions and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained; documentation and evaluation of community understanding of various youth issues, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

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Organization #2: Albion Catalysts

1515 Albion Avenue, Toronto Public Library - Albion Branch, Etobicoke

Organization Overview:

This group was formed in 2005 after spending over three years as the Youth Advisory Group in the Toronto Public Library Albion Branch. This group works to create meaningful and sustainable opportunities to build strong adult-youth partnership and to increase youth inclusion and engagement in Rexdale. Activities include after-school programs, social dance, black history month, storytelling and dance celebration. The group has been active in participating in several community initiative projects in the past one year which include Urban Noise Festival, Manga Youth Engagement Project, training to youth services librarians to better serve youth in their communities and the Rexdale Youth Council. The group operates with in-kind support.

Project Information: Rexdale Leading Youth Through Empowerment

The project works to build the group's capacity and forge a new vision and identity separate from the library which the group has been associated with in the past few years. By providing training activities, the group will develop skills and knowledge in the areas of leadership, communication, interpersonal relations, teamwork and conflict management. This will also provide a chance for the group to restructure, to understand members' roles in relation to the community and other existing youth groups/councils and to engage youth in the neighbourhoods.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 1.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 1.

Target Group:

Rexdale youth.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jamestown.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,400.00	\$400.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$10,000.00 to support the "Rexdale Leading Youth Through Empowerment" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of volunteer recruitment activities and training sessions and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained; the number and role of volunteers and partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, the model, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Albion Neighbourhood Services as the trustee.

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Organization #3: Alshades Canada
18 Raymore Drive, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The group was established in 1996 with the objective to provide youth events as a result of the lack of youth based events in the city. Their main activities consist of planning annual youth related events where you are involved in the planning and execution of the event. The group reported a 2006 operating budget of \$35,000.00.

Project Information: Alshades Tournament of Champions

The project works to encourage and lead youth to participate in extra curricular activities by forming or joining teams. The project works to organize a dance competition focusing on youth ages 17 to 25. The competition is expected to create a positive, alternative choices for socializing for youth rather than the negative socializing found through activities leading to violence. The organization's associate members who are youth from 16 - 28 years of age will be involved in the planning, development, managing and delegating duties and responsibilities at the event.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 2.

Target Group:

youth 16-28.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: reflects youth culture/engagement choices. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

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Organization #4: **Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services**
2835 Danforth Avenue, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization was established in 1995 to provide a range of services to the Bangladeshi, other South Asian and ethnic newcomer families in the Crescent Town area - bounded by Danforth, Victoria Park Avenue, Oakridge and Dawes. Services include skills development training, counselling, youth programs, crisis management, information and referral and settlement. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$15,415.00.

Project Information: **Building a Healthy Community through Increased Awareness and Youth Engagement**

This project works to engage Bangladeshi youth to work as community animators in raising awareness in areas of crime prevention, reducing racial discrimination, HIV/AIDS prevention and parental conflict resolution. A youth worker will be hired to reach out to Bangladeshi youth residing in Crescent town and the surrounding areas to organize them to carry out various community activities. This project will be managed by a youth worker with support from youth volunteers. Activities include workshops, skills training, community safety audits, conflict resolution and job search activities for youth.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 32.

Target Group:

Bangladeshi youth.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Crescent Town.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Comments:

Requires a trustee to be eligible. This looks like a service project to hire a youth worker to work with young people.

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Organization #5: Belka Enrichment Centre

3975 Jane St. , Jane Finch Mall, P.O Box 21031 , North York

Organization Overview:

The organization started in 2003 and serves residents of the Jane and Finch community, providing education and community development. Services include after school programs for youth between the ages of 8 - 18, sports, skills training, counselling, career building, literacy seminars, information sharing and field trips. The organization also acts as an advisor and mediator to schools, parents and youth. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$30,000.00.

Project Information: Belka Media Literacy and Broadcasting Studio

This project works to create a youth led and maintained media literacy broadcasting studio where youth feel safe to creatively explore and build upon their full creative and leadership potential. The idea is to engage youth from school environment to the mall, home and community centre. The project focuses on the African Canadian and the Spanish Canadian youth in the Jane and Finch community. The project is managed by a youth-led team of 12 youth. Activities include workshops, training, speaker's corner, video production and studio production.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 8.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 8.

Target Group:

African Canadian and the Spanish Canadian youth in the Jane and Finch community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jane-Finch.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Comments:

The applicant received INI funding in 2006 for some components of this program.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Jane/Finch Community and Family Centre as the trustee.

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Organization #6: **Beyond the Lyrics Youth Resource Centre Inc.**
210 Ellsworth Avenue, Apt. 6, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization is a non-profit youth serving agency that was incorporated in January 2007. Its objective is to utilize arts-based mediums to address social issues specific to youth and to promote youth engagement by providing opportunities for youth to nurture their interests. Activities include workshops, recreations, employment training, counselling and translation. The organization is located in Ward 21 (St. Paul's).

Project Information: The Leaders of Tomorrow Community Collaborative

The project works to provide leadership/mentorship program that promotes life skills for youth aged 14-24. The project is designed to be implemented at two stages. The first stage will be a 12 week leadership training series targeted to youth in the priority neighbourhoods. Participants will use the skills that they acquire to create an on-line zine for youth living in the City of Toronto. The second stage is the creation of an on-line zine by participants to give them a voice to speak on issues that they feel are important, relevant and reflective of their experiences as youth of colour in Toronto. In the end of the project, an event to launch the on-line zine will be organized by participants. As a result of the training and implementation activities, participants will gain a sense of empowerment and gain a larger understanding of youth issues in the city. Participants will be supported by a youth worker and mentored by a 5 member steering committee comprised of older youth from the organization.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 21.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 35.

Target Group:

Youth of colour in the City of Toronto aged 14-24 years old.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$8,334.00	\$0.00	\$8,334.00	\$8,300.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$8,300.00 to support the "The Leaders of Tomorrow Community Collaborative" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of sessions and outreach activities and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained, participants, and mentors; the number and role of partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants and the impact of the zine.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Harari Heritage Centre as the trustee.

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Organization #7: **Broad African Resource Centre (BARC) West of Toronto and Jiamini Research Consultants (East of Toronto)**

600 Caledonia, (Eglinton/Caledonia), Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization serves African families and children across the City of Toronto. Services include after school tutoring and activity programs through the use of volunteers. The organization supports single parents through outreach services regarding education and social issues, home visits, referral services and employment training. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$15,000.00. The organization is located in Ward 12 (York South Weston).

Project Information: Youth Empowerment

The project works to build a response by a broad range of youth community-based organisations, social agencies and individuals to directly engage with the community around employment, skills development, crime prevention, social and economic development issues. The purpose is to mobilize and build youth leadership and participation among youth in the low-income community whereby youth are brought together with community organisations in a comprehensive planning process aimed at developing community-based solutions to youth related community issues. Youth employment, placement and training, and community cohesion are key components in the project. In order to achieve the outcomes effectively, a communication strategy will be developed to address the issues on youth justice system. Activities include training, recreations, mentorship, tutoring, job preparation and placement, counseling, meetings and discussions and workshops.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 15.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 20.

Target Group:

Youth ages 15 - 24.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$30,100.00	\$28,700.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Phoenix Community Works Foundation as the trustee.

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Organization #8: Canadian Tamil Youth Development Centre
705 Progress Avenue, Unit 40, Scarborough

Organization Overview:

This youth-led organization serves Tamil youth in the City of Toronto, with a particular focus in Scarborough and St. Jamestown. Services include peer counselling, mentoring, educational activities, parent support, drop-ins, arts activities, publications, awards of excellence, community advocacy, research and special events.

Project Information: Community Matters

The project works to increase youth leadership skills and help integrate Tamil youth into the mainstream community. Under the facilitation of the organization's Youth Advisory Council, Cautyd Youth Councils will be set up in different high schools. Training will be provided to members of the Youth Councils and the organization will provide the youth with an opportunity to interact with others in understanding their issues and struggles. Youth will also be involves in identifying issues that are similar to issues faced by other youth within the community. The goal of the project is to engage youth in a more diversified group of peers, and provide the opportunities to get involved in helping out in the mainstream community.

The youth who come together for the Council will lead the meetings and discussions, and have a leadership role in relation to all decisions. Activities include training, meetings and discussions, youth forum, special events and workshops.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 38.

Target Group:

Tamil youth.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$10,000.00 to support the "Community Matters" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and training sessions and a description of the content; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

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Organization #9: Children's Peace Theatre
305 Dawes Road East, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization brings together children, youth, adults and elders to work collaboratively with professional artists. Together they create performance material that is based on participants' reflections and experiences of conflict at the personal, familial, communal and global levels. Activities include theatre programs, conflict resolution workshops and professional theatre productions. The organization provides services in Crescent Town bounded by Main St., Victoria Park, Danforth Ave. and Brenton St. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$218,931.00. This organization is located in Ward 31 (Beaches-East York).

Project Information: One Earth Collective

The project works to increase awareness of issues affecting the youth of Crescent Town and surrounding areas, to build the capacity of the participants and to increase the influence of youth leaders in Crescent Town, Flemingdon Park and Victoria Village. This is achieved through the engagement of youth in a youth-led leadership and theatre performance company that will theatricalize issues of importance to youth, including issues of violence, peace and social justice. The project is socially inclusive and integrative in nature, and provides opportunities for artistic experiences, enrichment and performance.

The youth in the project will run the project with administrative and management oversight provided by the organisation. The youth will hire artists of their own choosing to assist them to develop their skills and presentations, and will also hire workshop leaders who will provide a deeper context for the work and a further opportunity for broader youth engagement. They will make all decisions regarding the form and content of their theatrical creations, and will promote and produce their performances.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 31.

Target Group:

Youth in Crescent Town.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Crescent Town. The project will also involve youth in other neighbourhood:

Flemingdon and Victoria Village.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$21,200.00	\$11,200.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$9,000.00 to support the "One Earth Collective" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and theatre presentations and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained and participants; the number and role of partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

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Organization #10: Community Microskills Development Centre

1 Vulcan Street, Etobicoke

Organization Overview:

The organization serves employment disadvantaged, immigrant and racial minority residents in the area of the City of Toronto west of Yonge Street. Programs include skills training, ESL, settlement services, career development services, support groups and life skills development. This organization is located in Ward 2 (Etobicoke North).

Project Information: Student Leaders at NACI

The project works to support 14 student leaders of North Albion Collegiate Institute (NACI) to develop and practice leadership skills by planning and delivering a program to the 2007 grade 9 students. This group of leaders will work with the 2007 grade 9 students to plan and deliver sessions to grade 8 students.

40-50 NACI students of the 2007 grade 9 cohort will be oriented to high school life and learn important information for their lives. Between 12 and 20 of this group will develop leadership skills by working with the 2006 grade 9 student leaders to plan and deliver sessions to grade 8 students. Activities include workshops, drama, music and recreations. The project will take place in the Jamestown-Silverstone-Mount Olive neighbourhood, in particular for African Canadian youth.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 2.

Target Group:

Grade 8 and 9 students in the Jamestown-Silverstone-Mount Olive neighbourhood.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jamestown.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$23,243.00	\$13,243.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$9,000.00 to support the "Student Leaders at NACI" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and training sessions and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, the model, participant evaluation, and teacher and parent evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

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Organization #11: Community Youth Social Entrepreneurship (CYSE)
75 Emmett Avenue, 1910, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The applicant is a group of youth who initiate and develop a network of youth for youth and works primarily in high schools focusing on liaisons. The group was established in 2006 and brokers a change of how organizations, youth and individuals contacting high schools to promote their projects, improve ideas marketing and develop criteria for projects. A Youth Project Council is set up through this group to determine their support to the project that encourages student-led social change. The group operates with in-kind support.

Project Information: Community Youth Social Entrepreneurship (CYSE)

The project works to change how organisations contact high schools to promote their projects in an effective manner, improve how ideas are spread and develop the project criteria. The project works as a broker and develops a mechanism to facilitate this process. With the system in place, any group of individuals will be able to access all high schools in the network. This project is youth-led and youth will make all decisions. As a result, youth will develop their leadership skills. Activities include training, workshops, meetings and discussions and website design and implementation.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 11.

Target Group:

Youth in high schools.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Lawrence Heights, Weston-Mt.Dennis.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$42,750.40	\$0.00	\$42,750.40	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Comments:

The project request is larger than the funding limit for INI allocations.

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Organization #12: Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services

1700 Chalkfarm Drive, Unit 221, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization serves residents of the area surrounding the Jane Street/Wilson Avenue intersection bounded by Sheppard Avenue, Keele Street, Highway 401 and 400 and provides a variety of recreational activities, social services, and educational programs. Activities include community development, a parent/child drop-in program with a bilingual Spanish component, adult fitness, social recreational programming for children, youth and seniors, women's support group, special community events, and a newsletter. This organization is located in Ward 7 (York West).

Project Information: Falstaff Girls Club - Leaders for Today

Falstaff Girls Club is an emerging organisation fostered by Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services to provide a space, time and support for female youth in Falstaff. This project works to develop the leadership skills of girls in the Falstaff area and to increase the community leadership capacity in the community starting with an enthusiastic, energetic group of female youth. The project also aims at researching various leadership development models to identify the most effective one. This is a partnership with the Toronto Public Health and the Black Creek Community Health Centre. The project works to create a supportive environment to help girls reach the maximum respect and leadership potential. By starting this group with support from older youth and adults, the project works to build a strong foundation for a continuing Falstaff Girls Club. Activities include workshops, structured meetings, cooking class, homework club and recreations. This project is youth led with support from adults.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 7.

Target Group:

Female youth in Falstaff.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jane-Finch.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$12,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$9,000.00 to support the "Falstaff Girls Club - Leaders for Today" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of workshops and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained; the number and role of volunteers and partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased capacity for the focus community, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

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Organization #13: Dorset Park Youth Advisory Council
2231 Lawrence Avenue East, Toronto

Organization Overview:

This group is made up of 12 youth that live in the Dorset Park community and was established in October 2006. The group holds focus groups among youth at schools, housing agencies and community centres to identify issues that youth are facing in the community. This group receives support from Parks, Forestry and Recreation of the City of Toronto and Youth Link. The Council operates with in-kind support.

Project Information: Live and Educate Against Anti-oppression Right Now

The project works to run a leadership program for racialized (African Canadian and Tamil) youth in Dorset Park. The project works to teach leadership/life skills to underserved youth, equip them with skills that they need to be successful in the society which include problem solving, conflict resolution and employment readiness. This project works to create a program that would share life skills, provide alternatives to drug use/dealing and help youth avoid violence and gangs. Using an anti-oppression framework, the project will support youth to make decisions about their actions and goals that will have a positive impact on their lives. Activities include workshops, training, meetings and special events.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 37.

Target Group:

Youth in Dorset Park.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Dorset Park.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$8,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$8,500.00 to support the "Live and Educate Against Anti-oppression Right Now" project.

Conditions:

In order to receive the 2007 INI funding, the organization must provide an agreement with a suitable trustee organization.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of workshops and training sessions and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained; the number and role of partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

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Organization #14: ESBGC Youth Council and Youth Employment Local Leadership Program
100 Galloway Road, Scarborough

Organization Overview:

The Youth Council consists of 21 members and strives to be the voice of the youth at East Scarborough Boys and Girls Club and the surrounding community. The Council is active in participating in committees of the Boys and Girls Club, provincially and nationally. The Council participates in decision making process at senior management level of the Boys and Girls Club. The Yell is a pilot project of the City of Toronto that provides a pre-employment preparation for youth who face barriers to employment within the City of Toronto. It was established in October 2006. Participants of the Yell are known for being local leaders in the community. Both groups receive support from the ESBGC and operate with in-kind support.

Project Information: Upstream Youth Mentorship

The project works to address the violence prevention needs of low-income African Canadian and Caribbean children and youth in the Kingston/Galloway area. The project works to provide an environment which will foster the development of healthy relationships amongst peers and encourage the older youth to share personal life experiences with the younger ones. The project works to meet the various physical needs of the participants with sporting and physical fitness programs. It also focuses on capacity building for its participants in the areas of conflict resolution, spirituality in youth development, effective communication, group facilitation, effective decision-making, leadership from within and integrative empowerment.

Through training to 15 members of youth council and 15 Yell members, the group will be responsible for coordinating workshops on the respective topics within the Club's summer camp program and after school program. A total of 180 summer camp participants will be trained and 200 ESBGC after school students will be trained during the Fall.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 43.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 43.

Target Group:

low-income African Canadian and Caribbean children and youth in the Kingston/Galloway area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Kingston-Galloway.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with East Scarborough Boys' and Girls' Club as the trustee.

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Organization #15: Friends in Trouble Youth Initiative

1 Datchet Road, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization serves Toronto with a focus on the Jane and Finch community. Services include counselling and education of at-risk individuals, education, counselling and support services to immigrants and needy persons, developing and fostering community spirit, providing a forum for discussion of issues of public interest, sponsoring literacy, musical and other educational and cultural events, promoting organized athletics, arts, recreation, education, civic engagement, social service and other community endeavours. Services are targeted primarily for youth. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$30,000.00.

Project Information: Bridging the Gap Youth Summit

The project works to organize a youth-led summit "Bridging the gap" primarily targeting community members residing in the Jane-Finch area. The summit is organized by at-risk youth, primarily African Canadians who live in the Jane-Finch area. The project works to achieve the following objectives:

- to provide an appreciation and understanding of youth culture, mainstream pop culture, media imaging and corporate commercialism;
- to inspire young people through political education;
- to promote collective action and collaboration with other community-based organisations within the community.

The summit will be divided into two parts. The first part will use visual and cognitive expression as well as an open discussion followed by a performance. The second part will be a panel discussion to assess the needs of the youth and identify which organizations can meet these needs so that positive connections can be made. Politicians will also be invited to sit at the panel.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 9.

Target Group:

African Canadians who live in the Jane-Finch area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jane-Finch.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Comments:

The applicant was funded for a previous project, and the reports are still outstanding.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #16: Gordonridge Youth Committee
20 Gordonridge Place, Toronto

Organization Overview:

This group was set up in April 2007 to seek support to solidify their ability to engage youth living in the Gordonridge community which is a part of the Eglinton East/Kennedy Park neighbourhood. The group currently has 13 core members and works closely with the Toronto Community Housing Corporation to build the capacity of local youth for leadership and engagement. The group operates with in-kind resources.

Project Information: Gordonridge Youth Committee

The project works to engage youth living in the Gordonridge community with the objective to provide support to at-risk youth, particularly African Canadian youth, to develop their voice and undertake activities to contribute to a safe community; to develop youth decision-making and leadership skills; and to contribute to the development of a youth-led body that is able to identify youth issues and solutions. The project activities will connect neighbourhood-specific youth concerns, solutions and initiatives to specific community-based agencies and institutions. Activities include a youth retreat/educational field trip, workshops, training, meetings and discussions, civic engagement activities and a youth-led action-fashion show.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 35.

Target Group:

Youth aged 11-25 living in the Gordonridge community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Eglinton East-Kennedy Park.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$10,000.00 to support the "Gordonridge Youth Committee" project.

Comments:

In order to receive the 2007 INI funds, the organization must provide an agreement with a suitable trustee.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of workshops and training sessions and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained; the number and role of partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #17: GTA Somali Community Development Organizations
1575 Neilson Road, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization is newly established with the aim to help the Somali community engage in recreational and educational activities, increase community awareness and deliver programs to address the health and development of children, youth, adult and seniors. Currently the organization focuses on serving the African Canadian youth in the Malvern community. Services include a home work club, workshops, drop-in, outreach and apprenticeship and employment programs.

Project Information: Youth Initiative

This project works to improve educational achievement to urban youth and improve understanding between young adults and their children. The project targets youth 10-26 years of age and young adults in the Malvern community. The project also works to offer youth opportunities and provide positive reinforcement to their careers. The end result is to improve their quality of life and keep youth involved in community programs. Volunteer opportunities are also provided through the project. Activities include tutorial services, heritage and language study, apprenticeship programs, workshops, conference, Black history forum, drop-in programs and career day.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 42.

Target Group:

African Canadian youth in Malvern.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Malvern.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$7,700.00	\$0.00	\$7,700.00	\$5,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$5,000.00 to support the "Youth Initiative" project.

Comments:

The funding is provided to the group to develop its focus, involve more youth in the process of identifying priorities and strengthen the group's ability to make an impact in the community.

Conditions:

In order to receive the 2007 INI funds, the organization must provide an agreement with a suitable trustee.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and community meetings and a description of the content; the number of participants; the number and role of volunteers and partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #18: HOODLINC Youth Organization (In collaboration with Banyan Tree Community Initiatives)
110 Empringham Avenue, 183, Toronto

Organization Overview:

This group was established in August 2004 to respond to the complex and diverse needs of young people in the Malvern and East Scarborough community through education, recreation and social development opportunities. The group works to improve life outcomes for multi-barriered youth living in Toronto Community Housing communities in the Malvern and East Scarborough areas. By adopting a community development and asset based approach, the group organized a community basketball association to attract 244 young males in the area to participate in 8 teams over a 2-year period. Services include a breakfast program, social recreation programs, crisis support and an after-school program. The organization works with the Agora Foundation/Sage Centre to access capacity building supports. The group reported a 2006 operating budget of \$30,000.00.

Project Information: Project Base - Creating Youth Friendly Space

This project works to allow youth from the Malvern community to lead a participatory design process in accessing building sites and architectural know-how to design a youth friendly community base to demonstrate what can work for Malvern and East Scarborough youth and other priority neighbourhoods. This is a partnership with Banyan Tree Community Initiatives, a group committing in educating at-risk youth to build cost-effective sustainable communities. This group will work to bring architects, designers, students, urban planners, constructors/builders, unions representatives and affordable housing experts to the table to work with the youth of Malvern and East Scarborough to design and create a total space plan that the youth can make changes. As a result, this project will pilot a potential showcase of alternative space that teaches and inspires young people from different backgrounds, communities and living environments to take leadership in developing their communities. A core group of 10 young people have been involved in the development of this project and they will function as the core group leading the implementation. Activities include outreach, planning and design, community consultations and workshops.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 42.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 13.

Target Group:

Youth in Malvern community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Malvern.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$10,000.00 to support the "Project Base - Creating Youth Friendly Space" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and community meetings and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained and participants; the number and role of partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Agora Foundation as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #19: Horn of Africa Parents Association

5200 Finch Avenue East, Unit 202, Scarborough

Organization Overview:

The organization provides settlement and integration supports to African parents and children in Scarborough, with a focus on families from Horn of African countries: Sudan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Djibouti, Somalia and Somaliland. Supports include community outreach, tutoring and mentoring, parents support program, interpretation, advocacy and mediation, and cooking programs. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$100,000.00. This organization is located in Ward 41 (Scarborough-Rouge River).

Project Information: East African Girls Can Run

This project works to increase the general fitness of East African girls by starting an after-school running and walking club. The project also explores and challenges cultural attitudes that create barriers to fitness for East African girls and educates the girls on the importance of fitness as part of a healthy life style. The project will train 60 girls from two schools who live in Malvern and Kingston-Galloway communities. Two youth will sit on the managing committee for this project and youth will plan and execute the outreach and promotional activities. They will also be part of the project monitoring and evaluation team and will implement the project graduation and celebration.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 41.

Target Group:

Girls from Malvern and Kingston Galloway communities.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Kingston-Galloway, Malvern.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,212.00	\$500.00	\$9,712.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #20: IMPACT - Indian Martial & Performance Art Collective of Toronto
141 Longboat Avenue, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization was established in December 2006 to deliver the South Asian art forms of banethi and kalaripayattu ('kalari') to underserved and at-risk youth. The organization works to empower youth and awaken their creativity and self-esteem through South Asian martial and performance arts. The programs are to promote physical and mental health, diffuse aggression and demystify physical conflict while teaching disciplines that have relevance to many of the participants' cultural heritage. Currently the organization has seven members. The organization operates with in-kind resources.

Project Information: IMPACT

The project works to teach the performance arts of banethi and kalaripayattu and engage and inspire underserved and at-risk youth to develop their own projects based in these arts. In IMPACT workshops banethi and kalari are vehicles for transformative experience. These workshops work to foster self-expression through movement, build self-confidence and discipline, and open the imagination. The project works to guide the youth towards the creation of their own original performances and collaborations with guest artists. The project will assist youth in the planning and execution of their own project goals. In the process, various artists such as musicians, dancers, theatre artists and filmmakers and writers will share their work and interact with the young people.

The project will deliver 80 workshops through the year and involve up to 112 youth age 13-29 in the process. Youth who attend the workshops will help shape the second workshop series and the project evaluation process. Some will receive extra mentoring in teaching approaches. The project will target youth in Jamestown and Malvern communities where there high percentage of South Asian youth. They will be invited to take initiative in the development, implementation and evaluation of the project. They will participate in selecting guest artists in their workshop series and determine how their project will mature. Participants may become members of Youth Advisory Committee of the organisation.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 28.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 20.

Target Group:

At-risk youth in marginalized communities.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Jamestown, Malvern.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$51,500.00	\$41,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with SKETCH as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #21: Kapisanan Philippine Centre

167 Augusta Avenue, P.O. Box A, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization works to provide artistic, cultural and educational programs, activities and services to the Filipino-Canadian community, specifically to the Filipino-Canadian youth and to the broader community across the City of Toronto. Activities include annual musical talent competitions, annual Philippine national celebration at Seton Park, film screenings, theatre performance, art exhibitions and workshops. This organization is located in Ward 20 (Trinity-Spadina).

Project Information: Roots Manoeuvre: Developing a Filipino Youth Mentorship Program

The project works to develop a comprehensive mentorship program for Filipino youth and reach out to all Filipino youth communities in the GTA and surrounding suburbs including Flemington Park, Westminster-Branson, Steeles, Malvern, Scarborough Village and St. James Town where there are high concentration of Filipino population. This project works to address problems in the Filipino community identified through a Filipino Youth Assessment Research project conducted in 2006. Issues include lack of access to higher education, racism and discrimination, lack of knowledge, connection to Filipino culture and history, gun and gang violence and domestic violence in the community. The project works to provide mentorship for youth by youth through projects that will offer hands-on, arts-based, technical and entrepreneurial/career counsel and training. The project also engages youth in all aspects of strategic planning, provides youth with holistic learning methodology that will intertwine career mentorship/training in the arts with exploration of Filipino identity, culture and history. Activities include strategic planning, website development and design, focus groups, website launch and mentoring.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 20.

Target Group:

Filipino youth in the GTA and surrounding suburbs.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Malvern, Scarborough Village, Steeles-L'Amoureux, Westminster-Branson. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$9,030.00	\$0.00	\$9,030.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #22: Literature for Life

7 Labatt Avenue, 2nd Floor, Suite 208, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization provides reading, writing and self-expression opportunities to marginalized, high-risk teenage mothers and their children in the Greater Toronto Area as a means to develop and use their voice to overcome personal adversity. Services include weekly book groups and music groups as well as outreach through peer education and a magazine by young mothers for young mothers. This organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$181,617.00. The organization is located in Ward 28 (Toronto Centre-Rosedale).

Project Information: SOLACE

This project works to supplement to an existing Yo' Mama Magazine of the agency to explore issues of violence in the lives of young parents across the City of Toronto and beyond. SOLACE works to provide a forum for at-risk teenage pregnant and parenting mothers to discuss their experiences of violence and abuse. The project will use a peer to peer counselling and empowerment model to provide an opportunity for young parents to tell their own stories. The support from the INI fund will be used to hire and train additional writers and to improve the print quality. The project will address the multiple aspects of interpersonal violence which include current and prior violence, male and female perspectives and issues, coping and life skills, parenting and recovery from trauma. It takes an holistic approach to young mothers' lives.

The model for SOLACE is peer driven. It will function as a bridge to convey educational information and initiate discussion in a language with which both workers and young mothers can relate. It will be written by youth, for youth and edited by a young mother. An advisory committee of single mothers under the age of 26 reflecting the community of teen mothers will provide peer support in the form of writing and research. The publication of the project will also provide employment and training opportunities for young mother. A special column written by a young man from a high risk neighbourhood will also be included in each issue of SOLACE. This will engage the community of young males in the discourse about violence and its impact on the larger community.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 28.

Target Group:

at-risk teenage pregnant and parenting mothers.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$93,000.00	\$83,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #23: Manifesto Community Projects Inc.

358 Dufferin Street, Unit 104, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The group was established in January 2007 and works to have a platform for better exposure of the breadth of Canadian urban arts and culture, by the youth and for the youth. The group is community and youth driven in terms of the structural make-up and staffing of the group itself. Currently the executive board is made up of 3 young people and a range of 18 - 25 years old make up a large portion of the organizing committee. The group works to create a full learning circle through education of the roots of urban culture, providing a platform to showcase talent and concluding by free youth arts education. The group has developed a strategic plan with the focus of youth restoration. The group operates with in-kind resources.

Project Information: Manifesto Community Projects Inc.

This project works to produce a large scale event bring Canada's wealth of urban arts talent to a diversified audience. The project is divided into three phases: pre-festival initiatives, 4-day festival and post festival initiatives. The pre-festival initiatives include fundraising, awareness building, showcasing, community athletic events and networking. The 4-day festival includes concerts, artist showcases, urban arts market and cultural history. The post festival initiatives include youth workshops. This project will recruit minority youth, particularly African Canadian youth to participate actively and volunteer to support and manage events. Marketing and outreach initiatives of all events will be focused on the 13 priority neighbourhood. Activities include town hall meetings, organisational capacity building activities, festivals, events and workshops.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 14.

Target Group:

Minority youth in the 13 priority neighbourhoods.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: reflects youth culture/engagement choices. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$168,560.00	\$158,560.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #24: Midaynta Community Services
1992 Yonge Street, Suite 203, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization serves the Somali community across the City of Toronto. Services include counseling, settlement and integration, family reunification, employment and job training, housing, family violence intervention, public education and advocacy. This organization is located in Ward 22 (St. Paul's).

Project Information: Midaynta Youth Roundtable

This project works to create an inclusive, sustainable strategy to bring young people to the decision-making table. The organization will work with a group of young women, in particular from the Lawrence Heights area to get youth involved in the work of the systemic change and community empowerment. This project was developed by a group of young women and they plan to train 15 youth to mobilize the community and work on the issues of civic engagement. The project works to allow the participants to come together in a safe space to explore ideas and learn how to be part of a movement that will foster changes in their communities. The project adopts a feminist mentorship model and provides training and mentoring to female youth. It is expected through workshops and seminars on political education and social justice issues, the youth will acquire skills for advocating for social changes. Activities include workshops, seminars and mentoring.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 22.

Target Group:

Young women from the Lawrence Heights area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Lawrence Heights. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,500.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$9,500.00 to support the "Midaynta Youth Roundtable" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of training sessions and community meetings and a description of the content; the number of youth leaders trained and participants; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, the model, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #25: Mural Routes

1859 Kingston Road, Scarborough

Organization Overview:

The organization was established in 1994 works to promote wall art ("murals") as a public art form for the general benefit of communities and educate the public regarding mural art. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$10,000.00

Project Information: CANspace in Motion

This project is a pilot initiative created in 2006. The project works to promote the recognition of spray can art as a positive expression of youth culture unique to local urban settings. Spray can, or graffiti art, provides opportunities for youth artists to connect with each other and their community by producing positive images of change. Based on the success of the pilot, this project works to develop into a mentoring program of graffiti and other mural art and will focus on festivals and events in the Malvern community. The project will provide mentorship and workshops to educate youth on how to produce graffiti art, learn about the roles of art in their urban settings and works to dispel the negative stigma surrounding this form of art by promoting recognition of the talent of youth in this field. As a result, 12-15 youth will be trained in skills development for creation of graffiti art. The training will involve discussion of health and safety issues related to spray can art as well as responsibility of graffiti artists to the community. Their products (canvases) will be displayed in the Malvern library and community centre.

The second phase of the project will launch workshops and outreach events associated with the graffiti art to take place in summer 2008. A new student intern will be hired to work with the Youth Advisory Group of the organisation to coordinate the third annual Graffiti Art Festival and other related events in Malvern and Kingston Galloway. A youth section will be developed on the Mural Routes Website to feature these opportunities.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 36.

Target Group:

Youth in the Malvern community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: reflects youth culture/engagement choices. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Malvern. The project will also involve youth in other neighbourhood: Kingston Galloway.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$15,650.00	\$5,750.00	\$9,900.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #26: North York Community House

700 Lawrence Avenue West, Suite 226, North York

Organization Overview:

The organization serves people in the former Community Council District of North York, primarily in the area bounded by Ledbury Avenue, the Humber River, Highway 401 and Briar Hill Road. Programs focus on services for newcomers, children, youth and families, older adults and community development. This organization is located in Ward 15 (Eglinton-Lawrence).

Project Information: Leadership Training Program

This project works to build the capacity of youth in the Trethewey community to address community needs and build upon community assets. The project works in 2 phases. Phase 1 is an eight weeks in-house training session in which life, leadership and critical thinking skills will be developed through workshops. 10-12 participants will be recruited and one of these members will be a volunteer-leader-in-training who will support the coordinator of the program.

Phase 2 is a practicum which includes 20 hours of leadership training in the community. This will provide a forum for youth to develop sustainable skills and carry these into their daily lives and engaged in long-term social action. Youth who graduate from this program will have input in the curriculum development for the next year of the program. They are encouraged to return to coordinate and facilitate the program modules in future years. Phase 2 will include a community mapping project, a community programming and social action. In the process, youth input will play an important role in shaping the content of the practicum.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 15.

Target Group:

Youth in the Trethewey community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Weston-Mt.Dennis.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,716.00	\$2,000.00	\$8,716.00	\$8,700.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$8,700.00 to support the "Leadership Training Program" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of workshops and practicum opportunities and a description of the content; the number of participants; the number and role of volunteers and partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, evidence of increased capacity for the focus community, options for ongoing project delivery, the development and testing of the training model, samples of tools developed, the outreach strategy, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #27: Rexdale Community Health Centre
8 Taber Road, Etobicoke

Organization Overview:

The organization serves residents primarily in the Rexdale area of the City of Toronto. The organization supports and enables its diverse communities to achieve greater wellness and self-sufficiency. Services include primary health care, counseling, educational programs, senior's program, youth program, community development and community action. This organization is located in Ward 2 (Etobicoke North).

Project Information: Youth Empowering Minds

The project works to reach the youth in the Jamestown area and help them get involved in the community. This project is led by a collective of youth evolved from the For Youth By Youth Council in the community and looks for a new approach for youth engagement. The project works to educate and elevate the minds of youth and empower youth to make decisions for themselves and motivate youth in daily life to work for excellence. This project also works to enhance youth leadership skills and organizational skills to effectively plan and implement future youth-led activities for their peers and makes a difference in the community. Participants will be divided into 2 groups, 13-16 yrs old and 16-24 yrs old. The project adopts a mentorship model to help build skills for the younger youth. Activities include a retreat, economic development workshops, field trips, mentorship, crisis response and safety training.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 2.

Target Group:

Youth in Jamestown.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jamestown.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,541.00	\$541.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$9,000.00 to support the "Youth Empowering Minds" project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and training sessions and a description of the content; the number of peer mentor matches; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #28: Road to Success

1530 Albion Road, Unit 83, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The applicant is a group of youth outreach workers and community members from Rexdale and Jane-Finch area who have been working to support youth involved in the criminal justice system. The group coordinates recreational activities, provides employment support, advocates for access to services and resources and assists youth with community service orders to find appropriate placements. The group operates with in-kind resources.

Project Information: Road to Success

The project seeks to reduce the barriers that youth with criminal records face by supporting them as they complete their community service hours. This project works to minimize the societal barriers that young offenders face by advocating for access to employment, education, and other essential services that will impact on the future success. Through a combination of youth engagement, peer mentorship, skills building and advocacy, this project provides a supportive and empowering environment in which young people will feel supported and encouraged to explore a wide range of opportunities and build positive relationships within their communities. This project is youth led as all members of the coordinating committee are youth and targeted youth who live in either Jamestown or Jane-Finch.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 1.

The trustee organization is located in Ward .

Target Group:

Youth in Jamestown or Jane/Finch area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Jamestown, Jane-Finch.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$8,000.00 to support the "Road to Success" project.

Comments:

In order to receive the 2007 INI funding, the organization must provide an agreement with a suitable trustee.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of workshops and a description of the content; the number of peer mentor matches and participants; the number and role of partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #29: San Romanoway Revitalization Association

10 San Romanoway, Ground Floor, North Wing, North York

Organization Overview:

The organization provides social, cultural, educational and recreational enrichment programs for residents of the San Romanoway community. Services include assistance with job search and employment training, a homework club, computer access and programs, women's programs, mentoring programs, recreational programs, and a summer day camp.

Project Information: Youth 'N Charge

Youth 'N Charge (YNC) is a youth driven and youth-led project that uses urban music as a meaningful method of youth engagement toward pro-social behaviours and attitudes. The project works to provide youth from the San Romanoway neighbourhood and the wider Jane-Finch community with positive alternatives to violence. The project focuses on improving literacy, cooperation and collaboration.

The project has several objectives. It works to provide an opportunity for the group leaders to organize a community BBQ and a basketball tournament for youth residing in the San Romanoway neighbourhood and the wider Jane-Finch area. The group also takes this event to memorialize the youth that have lost to violence recently and in the past. A commemorative scholarship fund is set up by the organisation and this project also works to celebrate community's success and facilitates the community to look forward for positive changes. The youth involved in this project will be between the ages of 13-25 years old and is completely youth led. The entire experience of the project will help build authentic youth leadership opportunities and build the skills and capacity of young people to be decision makers and problem solvers.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 8.

Target Group:

Youth from the San Romanoway neighbourhood and the wider Jane-Finch community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jane-Finch.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$6,542.00	\$0.00	\$6,542.00	\$6,300.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$6,300.00 to support the "Youth 'N Charge" project.

Comments:

This organization received funding through the 2006 INI funds to help start the "Youth 'N Charge" program. The current request is for a youth-led activity identified by the participants.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of outreach activities and community meetings and a description of the content; the number of participants; the number and role of volunteers and partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, evidence of increased capacity for the focus community, dissemination of project results, and the outreach strategy.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #30: Shouters Community Centre
116 Courtlands Drive, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization was established in 2003 that works to operate a community centre for the benefit of the general public with a specific focus on Scarborough Village (Ward 35) and Eglinton East/Kennedy Park (Ward 37). Services include food and cloth bank, employment preparation and resume writing, meals to elderly members, personal support and volunteering. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$176,445.00.

Project Information: Market Entrepreneurship Fair

This project works to launch a one day, 6-8 hours event that allows eight Shouters Youth Entrepreneurship Program (SYEP) participants to gather at the Scarborough Civic Centre to present their innovative businesses and products. This will attract community members, industry professionals and potential investors in support of this initiative. This project provides SYEP participants with an opportunity to experience on how to operate their business. In the process, they put into action marketing schemes related to their products, pricing, placement and promotion. The project works to create viable opportunities for youth from the priority neighbourhoods. It will encourage the growth of local economic development within the Scarborough Community and will create an awareness of youth involvement in community and economic capacity building.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 42.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 35.

Target Group:

Youth in the Scarborough area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Eglinton East-Kennedy Park, Scarborough Village.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$22,982.00	\$16,687.00	\$6,295.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with (Shouters) National Evangelical Spiritual Baptist Faith International Centre of Canada as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #31: Somali Canadian Community Development Organization
26 Coronado Court, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization serves primarily the Somali community in the area bounded by Eglinton Avenue to the north, St. Clair Ave to the south, Keele Street to the east and Royal York Road to the west. Services include settlement, employment development, literacy, culture and recreation and community events. The organization operates with in-kind support. This organization is located in Ward 12 (York South-Weston).

Project Information: Young Leaders of Driftwood

The project works to encourage youth participation in civic affairs by providing resources for mentorship opportunities for 30 youth between the ages of 10 and 18 years old. In partnership with the York Somali Students Association (YSSA), the SCCDO youth committee will use a train the trainer model to recruit 10 university students to act as mentors and outreach agents who will in turn to train another 3-4 younger youth. The mentors are expected to monitor their progress through the project period and up to 6 months after the program completion. The group will focus on strategies for social awareness and social integration for young people and provide a series of workshops to the participants. This will provide a group of skilled individuals to support further program development for the community.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 7.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 11.

Target Group:

Youth in the Jane Finch community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jane-Finch.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Somali Immigrant Aid Organization (Toronto) as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #32: Somali Youth Association of Toronto (SOYAT)
2304 Islington Avenue, Suite 101, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization serves the Somali community, primarily youth and their families in the City of Toronto, with the majority of the youth served being from the Central and Western part of the City. The organization provides heritage classes, settlement and education counseling, youth employment and career counseling, homework clubs, summer camp, annual summer convention and recreation activities. This organization is located in Ward 2 (Etobicoke North).

Project Information: Spreading Knowledge Through the Mic.

This project works to continue to support and expand the success of the Radio Program to include a mentorship component. The Radio program was started in Spring 2007 by identifying issues to be made into stories, followed by hands-on workshops covering interviewing techniques, editing, sound boarding and spoken word skills. This program was facilitated by the spoken word coordinator and a technical assistant from CHRY. Majority of the current participants want to outreach to younger youth in the community to pass on the skills they have learned and address some of the issues that arose for them in the audio pieces they worked on this year. They are aware of the consequences of the lack of positive youth space and role models in their community and the need to recognize the pressures that youth face. This project works to provide youth with a positive role model in a space that acknowledges their experiences and perspectives as relevant with skills that they can use to communicate. CHRY will air these perspectives to the community from a local radio station. As a result, mentors and participants will also be actively addressing the negative depictions of youth in Rexdale.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 2.

Target Group:

Youth in Rexdale area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jamestown.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$9,960.00	\$0.00	\$9,960.00	\$9,900.00

Recommendation:

The organization is recommended for a grant of \$9,900.00 to support the "Spreading Knowledge Through the Mic." project.

Project Final Report:

The project final report and evaluation will include: a description of project activities, including an income and expenditure report; the number of training sessions and a description of the content; the number of peer mentor matches, participants, and radio broadcasts; the number and role of volunteers and partner organizations; documentation and evaluation of evidence of increased skills for the participants, community understanding of various youth issues, dissemination of project results, and participant evaluation.

Funding Period:

The grant is to be used during the period from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #33: 3T Program - Toronto Teen Track Program
46 Grackle Trail, Scarborough

Organization Overview:

The organization was established in 1996 to provide youth in Scarborough, east of Victoria Park Avenue, with physical, social and education activities and a mentoring program to help keep them off the streets. The services now focus on marginalized teens and children and their families in the northern Scarborough communities of Morningside Heights, Malvern and Agincourt. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$25,000.00.

Project Information: R2 Infinity Youth Project

The project works to provide accessible and inclusive community phys-ed program and facilitate widespread participation in track and field for newcomer youth and children in the Dorset Park area. This project is designed to increase participation and reduce drop out rates within the sport as many from this target group are excluded due to socio-economic and other conditions. The program also focuses on health and nutrition. The target audience will be in grades 7 and 8. These two classes will be expected to assist, mentor and in some situations coach participants from the younger grades. Youth will be engaged by means of a youth council that will bring the participants' issues/comments to the coaches and parents. The objective of the Youth Activity Council is to enhance the coordinating, leadership, interpersonal and vocational skills of youth. Activities include groups, Kid- friendly competition day, fitness activities, and social events.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 42.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 20.

Target Group:

newcomer youth and children in the Dorset Park area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: reflects youth culture/engagement choices. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Dorset Park.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$28,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Phoenix Community Works Foundation as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #34: Toronto Asian Arts Freedom School
25 Grenville Street, Suite 1706, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The organization is a youth-led Asian arts organization works to cultivate and maintain a united and loving pan-Asian arts community in Toronto. The organization works to provide culturally-specific arts education programs that are relevant and accessible to Asian youth. The school was established in 2005. Services include workshops, summer arts program, and performances. The organization reported a 2006 operating budget of \$25,000.00

Project Information: Asian Arts Freedom School

The project works to seek funding to continue the school year-round. The project works to hold weekly arts, history and leadership training workshop, a performance night, create a documentary about the school and publish an anthology consisting of student writing, essays and art that are created during the workshops. As a result, the school gives Asian youth hope, something to focus their passion and energy on and a sense of community that they did not have before attending the school. The project targets youth ages from 15-24 and each one is involved in the decision-making, implementation and assessment of the weekly workshops and projects.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 27.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 28.

Target Group:

Asian youth.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: reflects youth culture/engagement choices. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$21,340.00	\$11,340.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Sherbourne Health Centre Corporation as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #35: United Young Women of Colour (YWC)
85 Silversprings Blvd., Toronto

Organization Overview:

This group is youth-led and supports young women of colour in their pursuit to gain a better understanding of systemic issues, abuse and violence. The group is in the process of becoming established in the community and has not incorporated yet. The group operates with in-kind resources.

Project Information: Womynation Memento for United YWC

This project will work to build life skills for young women of colour targeting four areas; Scarborough, Central downtown, Jamestown and the former City of York. Outreach will be targeted in under-served communities, schools, youth-led/allied community organizations/centres. The project works to engage young women of colour to build their skills and capacity from an asset based perspective through various art activities. By building their artistic skills, the project will help women get a better understanding of themselves in order to build confidence in their skills and abilities. As a result, a book of short stories, poetry and art from young women of colour in the community will be produced. A MySpace page and Facebook group will also be set up and linked to the website. The project is youth lead and young women will benefit from exercising their leadership skills by heading up various committees and workshops. Activities include workshops, outreach, website construction and training.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 39.

Target Group:

Young Women of Colour.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhoods: Jamestown, Scarborough Village. The project will also involve youth in other neighbourhoods: Scarborough, Central downtown, Jamestown, former City of York.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #36: W.O.R.L.D. Centre for Pregnant Teenagers Mother Inc.
1111 Finch Avenue West, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The group started in December 2006 in Peel region as an outreach initiative. The group works to provide a culturally-appropriate set of services and programs to African-Canadian adolescents, teens and youth. Activities include individual and group-based counselling, assessment, crisis response walk-in services, life-skills training, conflict management, financial management, case management and home visitation. The group operates with in-kind resources.

Project Information: World Centre for Pregnant Teenagers Mother Inc.

The project works to provide educational mentoring programs to teenage mothers who experience difficulties in keeping pace with the curriculum requirements of their grade level. The project works to provide teen parents with a safe and supportive environment to explore perceptions and feelings about themselves; to assist them to develop the awareness, knowledge and skills to effectively cope with and manage the varying kinds of personal feelings and experiences that they will face over both the prenatal and post-natal periods and to provide them with the opportunity to examine, learn and adopt strategies and skills to resolve concerns and problems in their day-to-day lives. The project will adopt a community development approach to engage the African-Canadian community including scholars, researchers and students and actively engage in advocacy regarding policies practice. Other activities include community education, partnership, community forums, town hall meetings, workshops, seminars and conferences to promote knowledge, awareness and understanding of issues of teenage pregnancy both within the African-Canadian Community and across other diverse cultural communities of Canada. In working with the teen parents, individualized and group-based programs will be offered using a culturally sensitive approach.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 8.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 40.

Target Group:

Pregnant teenagers mother.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$70,370.00	\$0.00	\$70,370.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Comments:

This is a service request rather than a youth leadership project. The amount requested is significantly higher than the INI limit. The request is not eligible.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with International Charity Association Inc. as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #37: West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre
313 Pharmacy Avenue, Scarborough

Organization Overview:

The organization serves residents in the area bounded by Gerrard Street, Main Street, Lawrence Avenue and Kennedy Avenue. The organization provides social and recreational services including young adult programs, summer day programs, employment training services, placement services, community development, special projects, senior citizens' clubs, sports, an outreach program for youth, family resource centers, and a literacy program. This organization is located in Ward 35 (Scarborough Southwest).

Project Information: Hope In Painting

The project works to create employment opportunities for youth in the Eglinton East-Kennedy Road specifically at the Toronto Community Housing complex at 1021 Birchmount Road. By creating a mural to improve the neighbourhood pool and surrounding area, youth will get paid for their work that will improve the neighbourhood. This is a partnership between West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre, TCHC Tenants Association and TCHC. The project works to make the community better by improving the environment as well as the visual look of the immediate area. The youth will gain experience in team work, improve their leadership skills and work skills in mural painting. In the process, the youth will learn how to deal with differences in opinion, differences in work abilities and attitudes, problem solving and conflicts resolutions. A grand opening celebration will be organized afterwards.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 35.

Target Group:

Youth in the Eglinton East-Kennedy Road area.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: focuses on racialized youth/African Canadian youth. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Eglinton East-Kennedy Park.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #38: YOUNCAN Team Toronto - YOUNCAN Break Down Barriers
401 Richmond Street West, Toronto

Organization Overview:

This group is a collective of youth from Jane & Finch community and is under the YOUNCAN Team Toronto Chapter. It was established in March 2007 as a result of the 2007 peace conference hosted by Youth Canada Association (YOUNCAN). The group works to break down the barriers between smaller communities and come together as one in a peaceful manner. Activities include networking, partnerships, film and discussions night and youth mediation training. This group operates with in kind resources.

Project Information: YOUNCAN Break Down Barriers

The project works to organize a Peace conference for the youth in the Jane and Finch area in 2008. The goal of the conference is to eliminate the segregation between smaller communities in Jane and Finch. The project works to engage community youth in a series of smaller events. Activities include conflict resolution and mediation trainings, workshops, fund raise, a film compilation and a conference. The youth in the group take full responsibility for organizing and chairing the meetings. Youth in the community will be provided with the information and opportunity to become trainers themselves.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 20.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 20.

Target Group:

Youth in Jane and Finch community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: supports youth-led activities. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Jane-Finch.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Youth Canada Association (YOUNCAN) as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #39: Youth Transitions

129 Mammoth Hall Trail, Scarborough

Organization Overview:

This youth-led organization started in 2006 to bring changes to the community. This group works to engage youth and be a part of community development that will empower youth to be productive members of society. The group operates with in-kind resources.

Project Information: Youth Transitions

The project works to start a high school transition program in the Steeles-L'Amoureux community that will assist grade 8 students to be ready for high school. The project will partner with a high school and two senior public schools to recruit 20 youth and 10 high school volunteers. The project will run for ten months to provide recreational and educational activities in the community; to engage and empower the participants by helping them develop into a group and to break down some of the barriers that exist between the local housing communities. Activities include home work clubs, sports, art, cooking workshops mentoring and life skills training. The youth are responsible to develop the programs, the relationships implement the outreach strategies and being a part of the mentor recruitment.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 42.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 41.

Target Group:

Youth in the Steeles-L'Amoureux community.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project activities will involve youth in the following priority neighbourhood Steeles-L'Amoureux.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Agincourt Community Services Association as the trustee.

2007 Identify 'N Impact Investment (INI)

Organization #40: Youth Tube

302 Spadina Avenue, 507, Toronto

Organization Overview:

The group was started in 2006 after the Municipal election. This is a coalition of youth activists and agencies serving youth with an interest to raise the political clout of youth in GTA. The organization works to engage youth, in particular youth of colour, in a meaningful capacity, to provide space for them to openly discuss issues pertaining to them and their communities and to act as a mobilization tool for strategy meetings and campaigns. Services include advocacy training, mobile campaign, an interactive online service and workshops. The group starts to receive funding from various sources in mid 2007.

Project Information: YouTube - Volunteer Program

The project works to create a volunteer program that will identify 10 youth outreach specialists (YOS) with partner organizations in Toronto's 13 priority neighbourhoods. The project will challenge the structural barriers facing racialized youth in Toronto's 13 priority neighbourhoods. The Youth Outreach Specialists (YOS) will be the lead liaison for the project in collaborating events, workshops, community activities as well as providing follow-up discussions and action plans through the use of YouTube's multi-media website. The project will focus on three themes: capacity building (leadership training), civic engagement and research and analysis. The project works to advance youth advocacy efforts across Toronto and give youth the ability to know how to use the multi-media hub, to express their concerns and provide solutions to address the issues. As a result, the project works to bridge between alternative movements prevalent in youth politics and mainstream politics. It also provides an opportunity for marginalized youth to demonstrate their ability as problem solvers.

This project is youth led and all staff are youth of colour between the ages of 16 - 26. The partner organisations are youth serving. Activities include workshops, trainings in civic engagement, campaigns, website development, research and data analysis, discussions and forums.

Ward Location:

The organization is located in Ward 20.

The trustee organization is located in Ward 20.

Target Group:

racialized youth in the 13 priority neighbourhoods.

INI Priorities:

The project addresses the INI priority: develops youth leadership. The project will also involve youth city wide.

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	2007 INI AMOUNT REQUESTED	2007 INI RECOMMENDED
\$15,125.00	\$5,125.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Recommendation:

The organization is not recommended for a grant.

Project Trustee:

The organization applied with Urban Alliance on Race Relations as the trustee.