



Decision Letter

Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Committee

Meeting No.	2	Contact	Belinda Bains
Meeting Date	Monday, June 11, 2012	Phone	416-392-6315
Start Time	9:30 AM	E-mail	edc@toronto.ca
Location	Committee Room 1, City Hall	Chair	Councillor Shelley Carroll

CI2.4	ACTION	Amended		Ward:All
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Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program (AEHR) – 2012 Allocation Recommendations

Committee Decision

The Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Committee recommends to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for its meeting on June 26, 2012, that:

1. City Council approve the 2012 Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program (AEHR) allocations totalling \$784,300.00 to 23 organizations as recommended in Appendices A and B of the report (May 29, 2012) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration.
2. City Council direct that an amount of \$20,800.00 be held for appeals.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Committee met on June 11, 2012 and heard appeals to the Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program (AEHR) - 2012 Allocation Recommendations.

The Committee:

1. Referred the following appeals to the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, for further review, and a report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for its meeting on June 26, 2012:
 - Arab Community Centre of Toronto, The (Application 6)
 - Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services (Application 8)
 - Belka Enrichment Center/Caribbean Global Missions (Application 9)
 - Centre for Community Learning and Development (Application 13)
 - Council of Agencies Serving South Asians (Application 22)
 - East Scarborough Storefront/Tides Canada Initiatives (Application 26)
 - Eritrean Youth Coalition (Application 29)
 - Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies (Application 42)

- Rexdale Women's Centre (Application 65)
 - Roma Community Centre (Application 66)
 - Scadding Court Community Centre (Application 67)
 - Serve Canada Youth Service Organization (Application 70)
 - Sketch Working Arts (Application 71)
 - Support Enhance Access Services Centre (SEAS Centre) (Application 75)
 - Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office (Application 77)
 - Toronto ACORN (Application 78)
 - Toronto Community and Culture Centre (Application 80)
 - Urban Alliance on Race Relations (Application 83)
2. Requested the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, to report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for its meeting on June 26, 2012, on the funding required to fund the eligible proposals that have appealed under this investment program.
 3. Requested the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, to report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for its meeting on June 26, 2012 on the issues raised by the deputants with respect to the changes in the Access, Equity and Human Rights grants program.

Origin

(May 29, 2012) Report from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration

Summary

This report recommends allocations for funding under the 2012 Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program (AEHR). Of the 86 applications received, 23 are recommended for funding of \$783,400.00. An amount of \$20,770.00 has been held for appeals.

The Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program investment funding program helps the City of Toronto achieve its social, economic and cultural goals by working to achieve a positive race relations and human rights climate in Toronto and promoting community participation by equity-seeking groups. Equity-seeking groups are those facing individual and systemic discrimination and disadvantage because of shared characteristics such as immigration status, gender, age, sexual orientation and disability.

The funding provided through the AEHR program supports the capacity of community organizations and residents to act on human rights, accessibility, equity, discrimination and hate crime concerns in their neighbourhoods and communities. By providing funding to community organizations, the City is able to promote access, equity and respect for human rights in more ways than it would be able to accomplish on its own.

Background Information

(May 29, 2012) Report and Appendix A from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration on the Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program (AEHR) - 2012 Allocation Recommendations

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/ci/bgrd/backgroundfile-48017.pdf>

(May 29, 2012) Appendix B - 2012 Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program - Detailed Project Summaries

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/ci/bgrd/backgroundfile-48018.pdf>

Communications

(June 5, 2012) Letter from Ceta Ramkhalawansingh (CI.New.CI2.4.1)
(June 11, 2012) Submission from Saadia Akrapall, Rexdale Women's Centre (Application 65) (CI.New.CI2.4.2)
(June 11, 2012) Submission from Dennis Keshinro, Belka Enrichment Centre/Caribbean Global Missions (Application 9) (CI.New.CI2.4.3)
(June 11, 2012) Submission from Nigel Barriffe, Urban Alliance on Race Relations (Application 83) (CI.New.CI2.4.4)
(June 11, 2012) Submission from Roma Community Centre (Application 66), filed by Councillor Gord Perks, Ward 14, Parkdale High-Park (CI.New.CI2.4.5)
(June 11, 2012) Submission from Rebecca Lee and Christopher Sorio, Support Enhance Access Services Centre (SEAS Centre) (Application 75) (CI.New.CI2.4.6)
(June 8, 2012) Submission from Roderick Brereton, Urban Rez Solutions, in support of Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office (Application 77) (CI.New.CI2.4.7)
(June 11, 2012) Submission from Alison Chan, Manager, Operations and Development, Centre for Community Learning and Development (Application 13) (CI.New.CI2.4.8)

Speakers

Alison Chan, Manager, Operations and Development, Centre for Community Learning and Development (Application 13) (Submission Filed)
Melissa Mikel, Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies (Application 42)
Dennis Keshinro, Belka Enrichment Center/Caribbean Global Missions (Application 9) (Submission Filed)
Nawal Al-Busaidi, Programs Coordinator, Arab Community Centre of Toronto, The (Application 6)
Nigel Barriffe, Tam Goosen, and Ashley Alexis McFarlane, Program Coordinator, Urban Alliance on Race Relations (Application 83) (Submission Filed)
Rose Gutierrez, and Julian Diego, Sketch Working Arts (Application 71)
Babli Frazilatunn, and Anne Gloger, East Scarborough Storefront/Tides Canada Initiatives (Application 26)
Saadia Akrapall, and Robert Koil, Rexdale Women's Centre (Application 65) (Submission Filed)
Kevin Lee, Executive Director, Scadding Court Community Centre (Application 67)
Shewhat Zeru, and Juwahir Yusuf, Eritrean Youth Coalition (Application 29)
Nasima Akter, Executive Director, and Mirza Rahman, Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services (Application 8)
Neethan Shan, Executive Director, Council of Agencies Serving South Asians (Application 22)
Zinsheng (Simon) Zhong, Executive Director, and Sandy Chen, Toronto Community and Culture Centre (Application 80)
Rebecca Lee, Executive Director, and Christopher Sorio, Support Enhance Access Services Centre (SEAS Centre) (Application 75) (Submission Filed)
Risa Abella, Manager, Family Child and Youth Services, Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office (Application 77)
Kay Bisnath, Tatiana Jaunzems and Rohan Jagroo, Toronto ACORN (Application 78)
Elaine Munro, Serve Canada Youth Service Organization (Application 70)
Councillor Gord Perks, on behalf of Roma Community Centre (Application 66) (Submission Filed)