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Organization #5: Arising Women Place
4125 Lawrence Avenue East, 101, Scarborough

Organization Overview:
The organization works to support abused women in Scarborough through peer support, information and referral, long term skills for economic independence, family stability and respectful relationships. Services are provided in the Morningside Mall. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $139,484.00. This organization is located in Ward 44 (Scarborough East).

Project Name: You Are Not Alone (YANA)

This project works to prevent domestic violence against immigrant women and those with limited mobility living in low income housing, by breaking their isolation and providing them with information about cultural norms and Canadian legal requirements. This project will provide support and education on topics including: healthy relationships; interpersonal and systemic violence; child abuse and women abuse; positive parenting; conflict resolution training; capacity and leadership building; responding to family violence; safety audits; Q&A with police officers from the domestic violence division; and, emergency planning and referrals when needed. The goal of this project is to decrease woman abuse and child abuse for isolated women residing in high rise buildings in Kingston & Galloway, and to provide them with leadership skills so they may seek equality in their homes, live free of violence, and participate in their communities.

Project activities include: workshops, safety audits, meet and greets, counselling sessions, referrals, and leadership skill development activities.

This project will involve 1820 hours of paid staff time, 6 volunteers, and 294 participants.

Target Group:
Newcomer women living in Ward 43, specifically residents of the Kingston & Galloway TCHC high rise buildings who are isolated and/or have limited mobility.

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: women and girls.

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Recommendation:
The organization is not recommended for funding.

Comments:
The requested amount exceeds the limit of $50,000.00 per project allowable under the CSI program. At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The original recommendation has been confirmed.
**Organization #7: Bereaved Families of Ontario - Toronto**  
28 Madison Avenue, Toronto

**Organization Overview:**
The organization provides a self-help program for mothers, fathers, and siblings of children who have died across Toronto. Services include bereavement support groups, individual outreach and family contact, family night educational service, public education and awareness, and volunteer leadership training and supervision. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $485,413.00. This organization is located in Ward 20 (St. Paul's).

**Project Name:** Grief Matters - A Community Directed Healing-through-connection Project

This project works to strengthen the capacity of the Jane/Finch neighbourhood and its community members, to provide grief education and support to bereaved children, youth and their families. Through the peer/mutual support model, community members will learn to provide support to other grieving people in their community. Community members will receive resources, tools and strategies for appropriate and effective grief support through skill development and knowledge transfer workshops. The project will be carried out in three stages: engaging the community; community strategizing; and community sustaining. Activities include the formation of a steering committee, orientation and training on issues of grief and loss to participants, community engagement, workshops, a website, a youth manual and evaluation.

In year one the steering committee, launched the project with a public event, delivered training, presentations and workshops, and developed a youth manual. In year two grief volunteers were trained and the trainer materials were refined and developed for distribution. Year three activities include: support for guiding and maintaining the steering committee; public education activities; resource development; delivery of workshops and training and a sustainability plan.

This project will involve 1404 hours of paid staff time, 14 volunteers, and 448 participants.

**Target Group:** Bereaved people, specifically bereaved youth and their families, in Jane/Finch.

**CSI Priorities:**
The project addresses the CSI priority: children and youth.

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**Recommendation:**
The organization is recommended for $12,500.00 to support the Grief Matters – A Community Directed Healing-Through-Connection project. The funding is for year 3 of a 3 year project.

**Comments:**
At its meeting of June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The organization is recommended for an amount of $12,500.00 for the “Grief Matters – A Community Directed Healing-Through-Connection 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, sessions / forums, print resources developed, training sessions, participants, number and role of volunteers, evidence of increased skills for the participants, the program model, protocol, dissemination of project results, participant evaluation, and other supporting documents.

**Funding Period:**
The funding is to be used during the period from July 01, 2010 to June 30, 2011.
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Organization #16: Centre for Spanish Speaking Peoples
2141 Jane Street, Toronto

Organization Overview:
The organization serves Spanish-speaking people and their families in Toronto. Services include settlement, supportive counselling, legal clinic, community information, women's, seniors, and youth programs, training workshops, cultural and recreational programs. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $1,725,804.00. This organization is located in Ward 7 (York West).

Project Name: Crime Prevention Through Capacity Building

This program works to interrupt the cycle of youth violence by empowering youth through the development of leadership skills as well as film and video training to leave gang membership and be given the opportunity to tell their story. This project will consist of two 3-week intensive sessions, followed by 6 months of community engagement and workshops. The goal of this project is to improve community safety by increasing the capacity of high risk youth, and to assist them in gaining resiliency, self-esteem, and positive identity in order to enable them to meet educational and employment goals. Project activities include outreach, newsletter and website development, workshops and training sessions, community showcases and community presentations.

This project will involve 1218 hours of paid staff time, 15 volunteers, and 47 participants.

Target Group:
Latino youth

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: children and youth.

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Recommendation:
The organization is not recommended for funding.

Comments:
This is a 2 year project request. The organization demonstrated that the project fits the CSI goals, priority areas and funding criteria. The total funds available were insufficient to address all projects that demonstrated their fit with CSI.

At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The original recommendation has been confirmed.
2010 Community Safety Investments (CSI)

Organization #18: Chinese Canadian National Council (CCNC) Toronto Chapter
215 Spadina Avenue, 124, Toronto

Organization Overview:
The organization serves residents and organizations in the Chinese Canadian community across Toronto. Activities include independent social planning, research, public policy analysis, organizational development, civil rights and anti-racism advocacy, volunteer development and leadership training, community economic development, and cultural and social activities. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $165,793.39. This organization is located in Ward 20 (Trinity-Spadina).

Project Name: Chinese Parents Against Child Abuse

The project works to educate the general public in the Chinese Canadian community that child abuse and neglect in Canada is a crime. The goal of the project is to build capacity among individual members of the Chinese community as well as to provide resources to partner agencies that are currently working on this issue or providing social services to the Chinese community in Toronto. Project activities include researching, writing, translating and publishing information about child abuse for website and booklet, workshops, a training manual on child abuse prevention, outreach and recruitment of Mandarin speaking newcomers and training sessions.

In year one, staff and volunteers translated materials of the training workshops and have established partnerships to assist in conducting workshops on child abuse prevention in the Chinese community. In year two, the project will train adults from the Chinese community on child abuse issues and help organize Family Day for the prevention of child abuse, press conference and a website. A training manual will be developed for frontline workers and community volunteers and a community forum will be organized in mid 2011. A final report with program evaluation and recommendations will be available to the public.

This project will involve 1000 hr hours of paid staff time, 20 volunteers, and 20 participants.

Target Group:
Mandarin-speaking parents.
Children and youth, women and girls, immigrants and refugees

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: immigrants and refugees.

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Recommendation:
The organization is recommended for $12,500.00 to support the Chinese Parents Against Child Abuse project. The funding is for year 2 of a 2 year project.

Comments:
At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The organization is recommended for an amount of $12,500.00 for the “Chinese Parents Against Child Abuse 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, sessions / forums, print resources developed, training sessions, participants, parents involved, number and role of volunteers, evidence of increased skills for the participants, evidence of increased capacity for the focus community, the program model, protocol, dissemination of project results, participant evaluation, and other supporting documents.

Funding Period:
The funding is to be used during the period from July 01, 2010 to June 30, 2010.
Organization Overview:
This coalition works to strengthen the Dorset Park community by building community capacity, developing new local initiatives and programs, and bringing services into the community. This is a multi-sectoral group of organizations, institutions, municipal services and individuals. The organization did not report a 2009 operating budget. This organization is located in Ward 40 (Scarborough Agincourt).

Project Name: Dorset Park Youth and Parent Resiliency Project

This project works to increase access to mental health, justice and other services for parents and youth while building their resilience to youth violence or high risk behaviours. A series of workshops will build parents’ and youth’s knowledge, awareness and inform the development of another series of workshops to increase capacity to resolve problems, cope with stress and build bridges of understanding amongst themselves. The goal of the project is to increase resilience of families and high risk youth, while building capacity for stakeholders to bridge gaps between complex issues of settlement, justice and mental health.

Project activities include: outreach, focus groups, materials development, workshop development and delivery, and a celebration event.

This project will involve 600 hours of paid staff time, 40 volunteers, and 110 participants.

Target Group:
Newcomer families with children residing in Dorset Park

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: immigrants and refugees.

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Recommendation:
The organization is not recommended for funding.

Comments:
At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The original recommendation has been confirmed.

Project Trustee:
The organization applied with the Agincourt Community Services Association as the trustee.
2010 Community Safety Investments (CSI)

Organization #44: Literature for Life
7 Labatt Avenue, 207-2nd Flr, Toronto

Organization Overview:
The organization provides reading, writing and self-expression opportunities to marginalized, high-risk teenage mothers and their children in the GTA 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. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $354,630.00. This organization is located in Ward 28 (Toronto Centre-Rosedale).

Project Name: This Book is the Only Weapon You Need

This project works to expand on the current existing programs of the organization: Women with Words, Yo Mama, SOLACE and Boys with Books. The organization proposes to use these programs to recruit and develop writers and editors over the course of three years to collect the diverse writings by at risk youth in Toronto into a single resource. The project received CSI funding in 2008 and 2009 and based on the result of the previous project this project proposes to continue to use these programs and expand the recruitment and development of writers and editors to collect the diverse writings by at-risk youth in Toronto into a single resource. The goal of the project is to compile the writings of youth on violence and its effects on individuals, communities and the city as a whole. “This Book is Not a Weapon” will help illuminate the systemic issues of violence faced by youth allowing them to see and understand the politicization of their experience, a necessary step to activism and change.

Project activities include training, community outreach, writing, editing, marketing, press release, survey and a book launch.

This project will involve 145 hours of paid staff time, 100 volunteers, and 205 participants.

Target Group:
At-risk youth, pregnant and parenting teenagers and their families.

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: children and youth.

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Recommendation:
The organization is not recommended for funding.

Comments:
This project was funded by CSI in 2008 and 2009.

This is a 1 year project request. The organization demonstrated that the project fits the CSI goals, priority areas and funding criteria. The total funds available were insufficient to address all projects that demonstrated their fit with CSI.

At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The original recommendation has been confirmed.
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Organization #45: Malvern Family Resource Centre
1371 Neilson Road, 219, Scarborough

Organization Overview:
The organization serves residents in the area bounded by Markham Road, Morningside Avenue, Finch Avenue and Highway 401. Services include parent/child drop-ins, school readiness, parent relief, after-school tutoring and mentoring, youth development and recreation, Tamil girls program, tutoring, parenting workshops, self-esteem and stress management for parents, seniors programs, legal and income tax clinics, and community development. This organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $1,605,376.00. This organization is located in Ward 42 (Scarborough-Rouge River).

Project Name: Investing in ourselves - Building capacity in Malvern

The project works to develop the capacity of front-line staff to respond effectively to issues of violence, safety awareness, intervention strategies, peer support and guidelines for acting in a post-crisis situation. Self-care for front-line workers will be promoted to address burn-out, depression and anxiety. The goal of the project is to develop the capacity of residents within the community to identify safety issues and work collaboratively with agencies to identify community safety solutions. As a result, the effectiveness of front-line staff in the community is increased to handle the complexities of their jobs. Activities include outreach, training, train-the trainer, safety audits, residents meetings and evaluation.

This project will involve 1170 hours of paid staff time, 75 volunteers, and 87 participants.

Target Group:
Malvern Community

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: neighbourhoods.

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Comments:
This is a one year project request. The organization demonstrated that the project fits the CSI goals, priority areas and funding criteria. The total funds available were insufficient to address all projects that demonstrated their fit with CSI.

At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The original recommendation has been confirmed.
2010 Community Safety Investments (CSI)

Organization #46: Manantial Neighbourhood Services Inc.
1875 Sheppard Avenue West, Toronto

Organization Overview:
The organization provides crisis intervention and newcomer integration services to immigrant families, through advocacy, resource awareness, education, counselling and recreation. MNSI supports families, especially newcomer women and youth facing integration issues and family crisis related to their newcomer status in Canada. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $59,789.00. The organization is located in Ward 9 (York Centre).

Project Name: New Beginnings

This project works to provide workshops on domestic violence prevention and life skills training geared towards Hispanic women living in abusive situations in the Jane-Finch, Sheppard-Lawrence and Keele-Wilson communities of Toronto. The project will facilitate peer support through small groups and provide participants with one-on-one counselling, advocacy, life skills training and assistance with housing. The goal of this project is to empower women by providing them with the knowledge, resources, and self-confidence to assist themselves and their families when living in abusive situations.

Project activities include: one-on-one counselling, advocacy, life skills training and assistance with housing.

This project will involve 2236 hours of paid staff time, 8 volunteers, and 35 participants.

Target Group:
Hispanic women living in abusive situations in the Jane-Finch, Sheppard-Lawrence and Keele-Wilson communities of Toronto

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: women and girls.

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The organization is not recommended for funding.

Comments:
At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The original recommendation has been confirmed.
2010 Community Safety Investments (CSI)

Organization #49: Neighbourhood Information Centre
91 Barrington Avenue, Toronto

Organization Overview:
The organization serves residents in the former East York and adjacent areas. Services include information and referral, form filling, day care registry, home help registry, income tax and legal clinics, seniors snow clearing, child/caregiver drop in, tenant action group, housing outreach, clothing depot, a youth help-line and youth leadership program. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $432,300.00. This organization is located in Ward 31 (Beaches-East York).

Project Name: Peace, Life & Struggle: The Music & Words
The project builds on the successful Peace life and Struggle DVD project. The project works to provide opportunities for racialized and newcomer youth to participate in a community-wide musical talent search, to develop their performance skills, create new media forums, burn and distribute their own music CD that features positive lyrics and messages in formats ranging from Bangra, to Dance Hall to Hip Hop to Rap.

The goal of this project is to ensure that youth are involved in local policy making and community development initiatives that prevent / address violence. Project activities include training, music recording, editing, mixing and sound effects, a web site, performances and production of a CD.

This project will involve 1456 hours of paid staff time, volunteers, and 423 participants.

Target Group:
Newcomer and racialized youth in Crescent Town.

CSI Priorities:
The project addresses the CSI priority: children and youth.

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The organization is not recommended for funding.

Comments:
At its meeting of the June 29, 2010, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee referred this organization for reconsideration of the allocation recommendation. The original recommendation has been confirmed.
**Organization Overview:**
The organization serves people of all ages in the Mandarin speaking Chinese community in the GTA with a focus in Scarborough. Services include settlement services, seminars on community issues, language and cultural classes for children and adults, festivals, communication networks for members (including a web-site), information and referral, seniors’ services, after-school programs, advocacy and community services. The organization reported a 2009 operating budget of $70,000.00. This organization is located in Ward 24 (Willowdale).

**Project Name:** Understand my rights and social duties in Canada

This project works to provide information and support to Mandarin-speaking seniors regarding violence prevention and improve the organization’s capacity to address the systemic causes of violence. The project will provide updated information and a communicating platform for seniors to discuss safety issues. The goal of this project is to help seniors understand their rights and social duties and raise further awareness for violence prevention. The project will also collaborate with other community agencies and partners through weekly sessions to provide relevant knowledge and support to seniors. Project activities include a web site, training, workshops, forums, counselling sessions and information sessions.

This project will involve 1040 hours of paid staff time, 30 volunteers, and 950 participants.

**Target Group:**
Mandarin speaking seniors

**CSI Priorities:**
The project addresses the CSI priority: seniors.

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