

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

2012 CPIP Appeals Recommendations

Date:	June 21, 2012
То:	Community Development and Recreation Committee
From:	Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report recommends allocations of the appeals funds for the following CPIP funding programs:

- a. Community Recreation Investment Program
- b. Community Safety Investment Program
- c. Community Festivals and Special Events Program
- d. Access Equity and Human Rights Investment Program
- e. Community Service Partnerships Program

Based on the information provided by 44 organizations to the CPIP Appeals Committee meeting of June 11, 2012 through verbal and/or written deputations, and a review of the original information provided during the application process, 14 organizations are recommended for allocations as described in Appendices 1(a) through (d) and 2(a) through (e) of this report.

As directed by the Community Partnership and Appeals Committee, this report also identifies the funding required to fund the eligible proposals that appealed their recommendations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration recommends that:

- 1. The Community Recreation Program Appeal fund of \$28,915.00 be allocated to 3 organizations as outlined in Appendices 1(a) and 2 (a) of this report;
- 2. The Community Safety Investment Program Appeal fund of \$31,200.00 be allocated to 2 organizations as outlined in Appendices 1(b) and 2(b) of this report;
- 3. The Community Festivals and Special Events Program Appeal fund of \$5,500.00 be allocated to 2 organizations as outlined in Appendices 1(c) and 2(c) of this report;

- 4. The Access Equity and Human Rights Program appeal fund of \$20,770.00 be allocated to 1 organization as outlined in Appendices 1(d) and 2(d) of this report;
- 5. The Community Service Partnerships Program Appeal fund of \$30,175.00 be allocated to 6 organizations as outlined in Appendices 1(d), and 2(e) of this report;

Financial Impact

The 2012 Approved Operating Budget for Social Development, Finance and Administration includes funding of \$116,560.00 in appeal funds for five funding envelopes as listed below. There is no financial impact beyond what has been approved in the 2012 Operating Budget.

Community Recreation Investment Program	\$28,915.00
Community Safety Investment Program	\$31,200.00
Community Festivals and Special Events Program	\$5,500.00
Access Equity and Human Rights Investment Program	\$20,770.00
Community Service Partnerships Program	\$30,175.00
Total	\$116,560.00

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of June 11, 2012, the CPIP Appeals Sub-committee considered the following five funding reports, received verbal and written appeals from 44 organizations, and referred the 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 of June 26, 2012.

Community Safety Investment Program – 2012 Allocation Recommendations <u>http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2012.CI2.2</u>

Community Recreation Investment Program (CR) – 2012 Allocation Recommendations http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2012.CI2.3

Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program – 2012 Allocation Recommendations <u>http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2012.CI2.4</u>

Community Festivals and Special Events Investment Program – 2012 Allocation Recommendations http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2012.CI2.5

Community Service Partnerships Program – 2012 Allocation Recommendations <u>http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2012.CI2.6</u>

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The purpose of the appeals process is to provide organizations with an opportunity to raise issues related to the review of their submissions, to clarify information or provide new information to demonstrate the proposal's strengths and relationship to the funding program criteria and goals. Appeals are heard by the Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Committee. An appeal amount has been held back in each funding program to respond to appeals by deputants.

COMMENTS

A total of 44 organizations appealed the funding recommendations for their 2012 applications at the Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Committee at its meeting of June 11, 2012 through verbal and/or written presentations. The organizations making appeals are listed by the individual funding program in Appendix 1 (a) through (d), along with the recommendations for changes, if any, to the 2012 allocation recommendations for their request. Summary sheets with details of the proposals being appealed are provided in Appendix 2(a) through (e).

Organizations that were not recommended for funding in the original program allocation reports had been declined for a variety of reasons including: missing information essential to the assessment of eligibility; late application; lack of information in the application to demonstrate that the request met the program criteria and priorities; the developmental nature of the organization's infrastructure; and whether or not the organization had received project funding in previous years. All funding programs faced the challenge of insufficient funds available to support all requests that demonstrated a fit with the program criteria and goals. All funding programs are a competitive process and recommendations reflect not only the application fit and quality, but the relationship to other proposed projects.

In addressing the Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Committee, organizations provided information on a variety of reasons why their request should be reconsidered, including:

- descriptions of community need and access to services;
- lack of similar programs available in the community;
- relative merit of their proposal compared to other applications;
- impact of changes in funding patterns on programs and communities;
- overview of the organization's services and capacity for program delivery;
- examples of how the program creates positive change for participants; and
- information about how project budgets could be reduced.

In describing community need, applicants included information on key strategic issues currently affecting their ability to deliver programs: the positive impact of their work on local communities; requests from other services and institutions for their support in addressing local problems; needs of high risk groups for special outreach and intervention approaches; increasing costs of program space, including charges for City space; high service demand in newcomer community programs.

In appealing their recommendations under the Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program (AEHR), a number of deputants raised concerns regarding changes they believe have occurred in the program's mandate, organizational eligibility criteria, and funding model; they also reported to the Committee that these changes had not been clearly communicated to them in advance of the application process. These concerns are addressed in a separate report *Access. Equity and Human Rights Investment*

Funding Program Appeals Issues forwarded to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for its June 26, 2012 meeting.

The available appeal funds were not sufficient to address all the appeal requests. Priority for appeal recommendations was given to programs and projects that were 1) able to provide a community resource that would effectively respond to a need; 2) support a component of a larger request to demonstrate City commitment to an initiative that could not be fully funded. In order to address the large number of appeals to the 2012 AEHR program, some applicants that are CSP recipients have been recommended for funds through the CSP appeal fund.

As directed by the Community Partnership and Appeals Committee, this report also identifies the amount required to fund the eligible, high priority proposals from organizations that appealed their recommendations

Funding program	Amount required to fund eligible, priority
	proposals that appealed
Community Recreation Investment Program	\$5,000.00
Community Safety Investment Program	\$40,000.00
Community Festivals and Special Events	\$15,000.00
Program	
Access Equity and Human Rights	\$100,000.00
Investment Program	
Community Service Partnerships Program	\$60,000.00

The appeal recommendations included in this report will support the individual grant program goals and enable the community to support city objectives for diverse and accessible services for people in Toronto.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix 1 (a): Appeal Recommendations -- Community Recreation Program Appendix 1 (b): Appeal Recommendations -- Community Safety Investment Program Appendix 1 (c): Appeal Recommendations -- Community Festivals and Special Events Appendix 1 (d): Appeal Recommendations -- Access Equity and Human Rights Program and Community Service Partnerships Program

Appendix 2 (a): Revised Summary Sheets -- Community Recreation Program
Appendix 2 (b): Revised Summary Sheets -- Community Safety Investment Program
Appendix 2 (c): Revised Summary Sheets -- Community Festivals and Special Events
Appendix 2 (d): Revised Summary Sheets -- Access Equity and Human Rights Program and
Appendix 2 (e): Revised Summary Sheets -- Community Service Partnerships Program

Appendix 1(a) Community Recreation Investment Program 2012 Appeal Recommendations

	Applicant Organization	<u>Ward</u>	<u>2011</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>Allocation</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Amount</u> <u>Requested</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Recommende</u> <u>d Allocation</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Appeal</u> <u>Recommen</u> dations
7	Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services (BCS)	31	\$2,900.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
8	Belka Enrichment Centre/Caribbean Global Missions	8	n/a	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
12	Cabbagetown Youth Centre Inc., The	28	\$130,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$80,000.00	
34	Green Thumbs Growing Kids	28	\$14,809.00	\$15,000.00	\$7,500.00	
36	Jane/Finch Community and Family Centre	8	n/a	\$24,512.00	\$0.00	\$14,915.00
54	Toronto Community & Culture Centre	20	\$3,100.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	
63	Victoria Park Cricket Club	38	\$10,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$5,000.00	

Total:

\$28,915.00

Appendix 1 (b) Community Safety Investment Program 2012 Appeal Recommendations

	Applicant Organization	<u>Ward</u>	<u>2011</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>Allocation</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Amount</u> <u>Requested</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Recommended</u> <u>Allocation</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Appeal</u> <u>Recommen</u> <u>dation</u>
2	Belka Enrichment Centre/Caribbean Global Missions	8	\$30,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	
23	Family Inter-Generation Link	40	n/a	\$24,700.00	\$0.00	
24	Family Service Toronto	1	n/a	\$46,180.00	\$0.00	
27	Ghanaian Canadian Multicultural Community Centre	3	n/a	\$43,803.00	\$0.00	
45	Somali Youth Association of Toronto	1	\$31,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	
47	St. Stephen's Community House	20	n/a	\$36,259.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
50	Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office (TNO)	26	n/a	\$41,528.00	\$0.00	\$11,200.00

Total:

\$31,200.00

Appendix 1 (c) Community Festivals and Special Events Investment Program 2012 Appeal Recommendations

	Applicant Organization	<u>Ward</u>	<u>2011</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>Allocation</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Amount</u> <u>Requested</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Recommended</u> <u>Allocation</u>	<u>2012 Appeal</u> <u>Recommenda</u> <u>tion</u>
4	Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services (BCS)	31	\$1,400.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	
5	Belka Enrichment Centre/Caribbean Global Missions	8	n/a	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	
23	Franklin Horner Community Centre	6	n/a	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,750.00
24	FRESH collective	20	n/a	\$5,500.00	\$0.00	
51	St Clair Gardens Business Improvement Area	17	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,750.00
63	Toronto Zombie Walk, The	n/a	n/a	\$24,526.00	\$0.00	

Total:

\$5,500.00

Appendix 1 (d) Access, Equity and Human Rights Investment Program & Community Services Partnership Programs 2012 Appeal Recommendations

	<u>AEHR Applicant</u> Organization	<u>Ward</u>	2011 Approved Allocation	<u>2012</u> <u>Amount</u> <u>Requested</u>	2012 <u>Recommended</u> <u>Allocation</u>	<u>2012 Appeal</u> <u>Recommendation</u> (AEHR appeal <u>fund)</u>	<u>2012 Appeal</u> <u>Recommendation</u> <u>(CSP appeal</u> <u>fund)</u>
6	Arab Community Centre of Toronto, The	3	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00		
8	Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services (BCS)	31	n/a	\$15,220.00	\$0.00		
9	Belka Enrichment Centre/Caribbean Global Missions	8	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00		
13	Centre for Community Learning and Development (CCL&D)	28	\$20,000	\$40,500.00	\$0.00		
22	Council of Agencies Serving South Asians	35	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$0.00		\$3,175.00
26	East Scarborough Storefront/Tides Canada Initiatives	43	n/a	\$16,500.00	\$0.00		
29	Eritrean Youth Coalition	19	n/a	\$45,995.82	\$0.00		
42	Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies	23	n/a	\$50,000.00	\$0.00		
65	Rexdale Women's Centre	1	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$0.00		\$9,000.00
66	Roma Community Centre	14	n/a	\$38,850.00	\$0.00		\$6,000.00
67	Scadding Court Community Centre	20	\$25,000.00	\$43,013.30	\$0.00		\$3,500.00
71	SKETCH Working Arts	18	\$15,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00		
70	Serve Canada Youth Service Organization	28	\$25,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00		
75	Support Enhance Access Services Centre (S.E.A.S. Centre)	28	\$10,800.00	\$10,800.00	\$0.00		\$3,500.00
77	Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office (TNO)	26	\$24,300.00	\$43,272.00	\$0.00		
78	Toronto ACORN	29	\$15,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$0.00		
80	Toronto Community & Culture Centre	20	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00		
83	Urban Alliance on Race Relations	20	\$41,000.00	\$46,166.00	\$0.00	\$20,770.00	

	<u>CSP Applicant</u> <u>Organization</u>					
83	For Youth Initiative in Toronto	12	\$92,495.00	\$112,500.00	\$92,495.00	 \$5,000.00
96	Jane/Finch Community and Family Centre	8	\$131,180.00	\$184,604.00	\$141,180.00	
115	Mood Disorders Association of Ontario and Metro Toronto	16	\$15,925.00	\$36,925.00	\$15,925.00	
113	Oromo Canadian Community Association of GTA	7	\$27,600.00	\$27,600.00	\$27,600.00	
159	Silent Voice Canada	22	\$28,325.00	\$38,325.00	\$28,325.00	
169	St. Clair West Services for Seniors, Inc.	12	\$46,020.00	\$64,109.00	\$46,020.00	

Total:

\$20,770.00

\$30,175.00