



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Budget Adjustment to the Toronto Public Health 2013 Approved Operating Budget for the Healthy Communities Partnership Fund

Date:	September 10, 2013
To:	Board of Health
From:	Medical Officer of Health
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report seeks approval for a budget adjustment to the Toronto Public Health (TPH) 2013 Approved Operating Budget due to confirmation of 100% provincial funding from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) in August 2013.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Medical Officer of Health recommends that:

1. City Council direct that the Toronto Public Health 2013 Approved Operating Budget be increased by \$424.0 thousand gross and \$0.0 net to reflect confirmed 100 per cent one-time funding from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for the Healthy Communities Fund Partnership.

Financial Impact

The table below summarizes the required budget adjustments to the TPH 2013 Approved Operating Budget (see page 2).

Budget Adjustment to the 2013 Approved Operating Budget (\$000)				
	Position	Gross	Revenue	Net
2013 Confirmed Funding from MOHLTC – One Time	0.0	424.0	(424.0)	0

Funding has been approved by MOHLTC for the nine month period from April 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013. These funds must be spent by December 31, 2013.

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

DECISION HISTORY

At its meetings on July 24 - 26, 2001 and June 18 - 20, 2002, City Council delegated authority to the Medical Officer of Health to award, execute and amend on an ongoing annual basis the purchase of service contracts for the Community Heart Health Partnership Initiative within the TPH approved budget. The Community Heart Health Partnership was renamed by the provincial government as the Healthy Communities Fund Partnership.

COMMENTS

The chart below summarizes the required budget adjustments followed by a brief explanation.

Toronto Public Health – Confirmed 2013 Funding (\$000)					
Program	Position	2013 Financial Impact			2014 Gross Impact
		Gross	Revenue	Net	
One-Time Budget Adjustment:					
Healthy Communities Fund Partnership	0	424.0	(424.0)	0.0	(424.0)
Total		424.0	(424.0)		(424.0)

In August 2013, MOHLTC approved 100 per cent one time funding for the nine month period from April 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 of \$424,000 gross and \$0.0 net to support the implementation of the Healthy Communities Partnership. Toronto Public Health will work with relevant community partners to create policies that make it easier to be healthy. Policy and health promotion activities must support communities in the areas of enhancing access to recreation and physical activity as well as food access and healthy eating.

Toronto Public Health will lead the implementation of activities related to *Active Design* totalling \$70,000. Activities within this scope of work will strengthen and improve the City's Active Design policies, guideline and standards in respect to development and re-development of buildings, public spaces and neighbourhoods.

Social Planning Toronto will lead the implementation of activities related to *Access to Recreational and Community Space* totalling \$15,000. Activities within this scope of work include asset mapping in two school communities to identify accessible space, training of staff related to accessing space, focus groups of stakeholders who access space in the summer, and engaging partners such as the Toronto District School Board, Toronto Catholic District School Boards and Parks, Forestry and Recreation to develop policies to improve access.

The Toronto Food Strategy in collaboration with FoodShare will lead the implementation of *Food Access/Healthy Eating* activities totalling \$210,000 and some *Access to Healthy Foods and Physical Activity Opportunities in School Communities* activities totalling \$60,000. Activities within this scope of work include: developing new or revising existing policies related to restricting commercial advertising targeted to children in venues owned and operated by the City of Toronto; developing or coordinating municipal policies to increase access to healthy foods; and developing new or revising existing policies to increase the availability of corner stores that sell healthy food options as well as mobile/truck-based produce vending. Specific school-based activities will involve customized policy development training workshops, customized coaching for school health facilitators and the development of a situational/needs assessment for each school in order to identify policy priorities for school health action plans.

The Angel Foundation for Learning and the Toronto Foundation for Student Success will lead the implementation of the remainder of *Access to Healthy Foods and Physical Activity Opportunities in School Communities* activities totalling \$69,000.

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