

**Appendix C**

**Service Development Investment Program (SDIP) 2015 Allocation  
Recommendations**

**Project Summaries**

**2015 Service Development Investment Program (SDIP) Allocation  
Returning Projects Recommended for Funding**

1) 1652 Keele Street Community Alliance	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Weston-Mt. Dennis	\$25,400.00	\$40,000.00

**Project Description:** The project supports a set of co-ordinated activities of the six community agencies to explore options for a collective governance structure in the hub. Project activities support the development of the coalition into a formal structure, outreach, development of collaborative tools and training, sharing of resources and strengthening partnerships to build management structures and coordinated services in the Weston-Mt. Dennis area. The project is recommended for an increase in funding for a new part-time Hub Co-ordinator position who will assist with property management and community engagement. The funding is for the final year of this project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

2) AVNU/G.E.T (Grassroots Education and Training) Schooled/ArtReach/Tides Canada	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	The project works city-wide, focusing on all 31 Neighbourhood Improvement Areas	40,000.00	\$40,000.00

**Project Description:** The project is a convener of Toronto's grassroots education community and supports the development of a progressive learning framework for youth who have a desire to learn outside of the traditional education mode. The framework is focused on experiential learning and providing youth with access to supports and resources. Activities include: workshops, mentorships, networking events, clinics, learning journey exchanges, and self-care. The funding is for the final year of this project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

3) Connecting Women with Scarborough Services/Scarborough Access Centre/Tides Canada	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Kingston Rd.-Galloway and Orton Park	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00

**Project Description:** The project works to empower women and children experiencing domestic violence through a collaboration of service providers delivering a range of services at one location. Activities include community consultation with the Kingston Road-Galloway community specifically women experiencing violence, the development of a strategic plan, an operational plan and program evaluations. The funding is for the final year of this project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

4) Dorset Park	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Dorset Park	40,000.00	40,000.00

**Project Description:** This project supports capacity building of the Dorset Park Neighbourhood Association (DPNA) with a focus on capacity building and empowerment of residents, increasing collaboration and partnership. Project activities include resident capacity building training in governance, the development of a three year action plan, strengthening network service providers and stakeholder's capacity and improve service coordination and the development of materials for meetings, workshops, and marketing. The funding is for the final year of this project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

5) Eglinton East-Kennedy Park Community Project	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Eglinton East Kennedy Park	\$40,000.00	\$25,000.00

**Project Description:** This project supports the development and coordination of a seamless, integrated place-based service delivery plan with a focus on facilitating youth engagement and increasing the number of youth in active leadership roles in Eglinton East Kennedy Park. The project connects youth in the community and builds capacity through recreational, vocational, multi-media, arts programs and the development of a resident council. The funding is for the final year of this project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

6) Grace Hartman Wilcox Creek Coop Advisory Committee	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Malvern	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00

**Project Description:** This project supports the capacity of advisory committee members to bring needed resources and services to the community. Activities include developing organizational infrastructure, developing a sustainability plan for the committee, capacity building workshops and providing support to build the capacity of residents to develop and oversee programs. The funding is for year two of a three year project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

7) Malvern Stakeholder Group	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Malvern	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00

**Project Description:** This project works to increase capacity in the Malvern community by strengthening the Youth Programming and Engagement Network's ability to collaborate on activities, develop communications tools to change the perception that Malvern is prone to youth violence, engage the community and create a resident stakeholder table to address food security issues in the community. The funding is for the final year of this project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

8) Queen's Plate	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Rexdale	30,000.00	30,000.00

**Project Description:** This project builds on and enhances the existing skills and abilities of the community to be able to identify problems and solutions through common action. Activities include strategic planning, governance training, developing organizational policies and procedures, capacity building workshops and training in leadership skills. The funding is for year two of a three year project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. Future funding is conditional upon demonstrated improvement in meeting outputs and deliverables as outlined in workplan. This will be monitored to ensure compliance with SDIP criteria.

9) Scarborough Residents Unite	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Scarborough Village	30,000.00	30,000.00

**Project Description:** This project works to strengthen and build service delivery and resident capacity in Scarborough Village by developing a governance structure, building strong partnerships, and enhancing communication within the network and among residents. Activities include the development of governance structures, a communication strategy, employment fairs and skills building. The funding is for year two of a three year project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. 2015 Funding is conditional upon receipt of an updated trustee agreement. The agreement will be developed with the support of City staff and monitored.

10) Steeles-L'Amoreaux Strenght in Partnership	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Steeles-L'Amoreaux	40,000.00	40,000.00

**Project Description:** This project works to facilitate transition to a community-owned network with a solid infrastructure, to engage residents and to increase resident access to services in the community. Project activities include: community animation, strengthening partnerships, improve coordination of services among stakeholders and service providers, and provide increased capacity building for residents and members. The funding is for the final year of the project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

11) Toronto Aboriginal	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	City-wide	30,000.00	30,000.00

**Project Description:** This project aims to strengthen the organization infrastructure and support coordination of the strategic plan, outreach, social media, and build partnerships throughout the community. Activities include partnership building, ceremonial gatherings, speakers' forums, community engagement, advocacy and creation of information materials. The funding is for the year two of a three year project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. Future funding is conditional upon demonstrated improvement in meeting outputs and deliverables as outlined in workplan. This will be monitored to ensure compliance with SDIP criteria.

12) Weston-Mount Dennis ProTech Media Centre	Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood	<u>2014 Approved Allocation</u>	<u>2015 Amount Recommended</u>
	Weston	17,000.00	35,000.00

**Project Description:** This project works to create social and economic opportunities for effect change in the community and to improve service and program delivery coordination among ProTech Media Centre partner agencies. Additionally, the project includes improving functional technologically based programming and equipment to advance youth arts skills and training Based on additional operating pressures, the project is being recommended for additional funds to support program delivery and staffing. The funding is for year two of a three year project. **Funding Period:** The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

<b>13) Youth Arts Action! YAA!</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Improvement Area/Emerging Neighbourhood</b>	<b><u>2014</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>Allocation</u></b>	<b><u>2015 Amount Recommended</u></b>
	Lawrence Heights, Neptune and Lotherton	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b> The project works to build leadership skills and support initiatives that build youth and family capacity and enhance participation in community building in the Lawrence Heights, Neptune and Lotherton communities. Activities include outreach and engagement, youth capacity development, and training and workshops. The funding is for year two of a three year project. <b>Funding Period:</b> The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.</p>			



**2015 Service Development Investment Program (SDIP) Allocation  
New Projects Recommended for Funding**

**Organization #14:** ArtReach

**Address:** 350- 401 Richmond St. W., Toronto, ON M5V 3A8

**Trustee:** ArtReach Toronto | Tides Canada Initiatives Society

**Organization Overview:**

This organization works to design, support and fund arts initiatives that engage youth who have experienced exclusion in under-served areas of Toronto.

**Project Name:** Youth Arts Program, Arts Pitch Contest and G.O.A.L Workshops

The project supports expanding the content and reach of the G.O.A.L series through the development of advanced workshops and the use of online technologies, increases accessibility of supports and tools through community feedback and evaluation, supports the export of a successful youth model of engagement, and increases the organization's governance structure through sustainability. This work directly supports the Toronto Youth Equity Strategy (TYES) and reinforces the city's priority of investing in youth-led initiatives. Project partners include the Toronto Arts Council (TAC) and City of Toronto Cultural Services.

**Neighbourhood Improvement Area:**

The project works city-wide, focusing on all 31 Neighbourhood Improvement Areas

**SDIP Goals and Priorities:**

The project supports coordination of community development to respond to identified community issues in Neighbourhood Improvement Areas across Toronto.

<b>TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET</b>	<b>ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES</b>	<b>2015 SDIP AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>2015 SDIP RECOMMENDED</b>
\$129,500.00	\$89,500.00	\$40,000.00	\$30,000.00

**Recommendation:**

The organization is recommended for \$30,000.00 to support the project "Youth Arts Program, Arts Pitch Contest and G.O.A.L Workshops". The funding is for year one of up to three years.

**Funding Period:**

The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

**Organization #15:** Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI)

**Address:** 200 - 110 Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto, ON M4R 1A3

**Trustee:** N/A

**Organization Overview:**

This organization is a council of autonomous community-based agencies that serves the immigrant communities of Ontario. OCASI asserts the right of all persons to participate fully and equitably in the social, cultural, political and economic life of Ontario.

**Project Name:** Shared Administrative Platform

The project supports the research and design of a shared administrative platform pilot model that works with ethno-specific serving organizations by strengthening the capacity of groups who are in need of additional supports. Through an environmental scan and necessary research, this project aims to develop a shared administrative platform framework, establish best practices in governance, planning, financial management, evaluation, collaboration and reporting for a model specific to the immigrant and refugee-serving sector. Project partners include the Ontario Nonprofit Network (ONN) and the ethno-specific serving organizations within the pilot project.

**Neighbourhood Improvement Area:**

The project works city-wide, focusing on all 31 Neighbourhood Improvement Areas.

**SDIP Goals and Priorities:**

The project supports coordination of community development to respond to identified community issues in the high needs, under-served immigrant and refugee sector.

<b>TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET</b>	<b>ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES</b>	<b>2014 SDIP AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>2015 SDIP RECOMMENDED</b>
\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00

**Recommendation:**

The organization is recommended for \$45,000.00 to support the "Shared Administrative Platform" project. The funding is for year one of up to three years.

**Comment:**

This initiative was previously supported as a one-time grant through CSP for strategic capacity building initiatives unrelated to OCASI's core operations, however, the project is better suited to the mandate of SDIP. The recommendation supports this alignment.

**Funding Period:**

The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

**Organization #16:** Rexdale Community Hub (Rexdale Hub)

**Address:** 21 Panorama Court, Toronto, ON, M9V 4E3

**Trustee:** N/A

**Organization Overview:**

In 2013, emerging from a collection of local agencies and grassroots organizations in Rexdale, the Rexdale Community Hub formally incorporated as a collaborative shared community space. The Rexdale Hub's ten partner agencies and grassroots community organizations and resident groups from Etobicoke North work towards improving service coordination within the Rexdale Hub, and to improve social conditions and access to services and programs for community members and organizations.

**Project Name:** Building Stronger Hub and Communities project

This project will engage Rexdale Hub partners' agencies, community organizations and local resident groups to collaborate and embrace innovative and sustainable ways to working together by developing an innovative multi-level capacity building framework. Activities include: the development of organizational capacity building, a community capacity building framework, implementation of a strategic plan, business plan and the development of a management system to manage the day-to-day operations to enhance response to community needs.

**Neighbourhood Improvement Area:** Rexdale

**SDIP Goals and Priorities:**

The project builds network capacity to respond to local needs and work with other partners in the high needs under-served Rexdale neighbourhood.

<b>TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET</b>	<b>ANTICIPATED FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES</b>	<b>2014 SDIP AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>2015 SDIP RECOMMENDED</b>
\$95,000.00,000.00	\$45,000.00.00	\$50,000.00.00	\$45,000.00

**Recommendation:**

The organization is recommended for \$45,000.00 to support "Building [a] Stronger Hub and Communities". The funding is for year one of up to three years.

**Comment:**

This initiative was previously supported as a one-time grant through CSP through the Rexdale Community Health Centre; however, the project is better suited to the mandate of SDIP. The recommendation supports this alignment.

**Funding Period:**

The funding is to be used during the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016