

FACT SHEET

City of Toronto, Community Development Unit: Community Engagement, Capacity Building & Program Support Funds For the Regent Park Social Development Plan (SDP)

About the Operational Resources for Regent Park:

In February 2020, [City Council](#) approved a \$50,000 operations budget to the Community Development Unit of Social Development, Finance & Administration (SDFA) to increase resident participation throughout the implementation of the Refreshed Regent Park Social Development Plan (SDP). These funds will resource capacity building initiatives for equity-seeking individuals and grassroots groups, and provide supports that reduce barriers to resident participation. This funding is renewed yearly over the lifetime of revitalization, and is allocated by the City of Toronto and with the SDP Stakeholders' Table. Contact the Community Development Unit for information:

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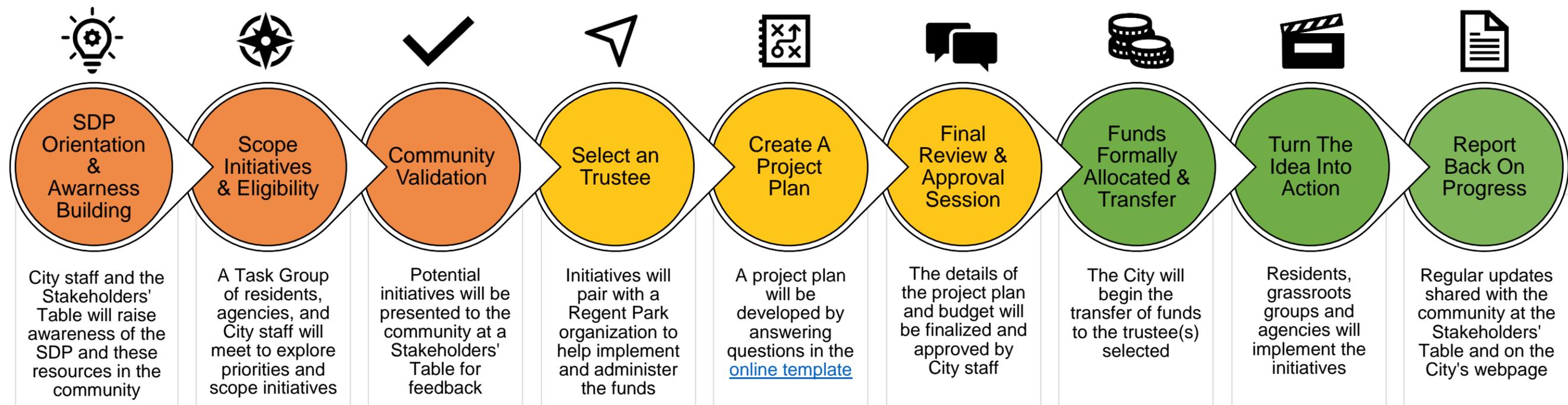
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Initiatives supported may include:

- Workshops, training and skill development opportunities to build resident capacity for equitable participation and decision making
- Resources to reduce and remove barriers limiting resident participation like childminding, interpretation, food and technology
- Initiatives that enhance outreach, participation and inclusion of under-represented groups in the Social Development Plan processes and structures
- Honorariums for resident facilitation, administration and skill development positions

The Idea-to-Action Process:



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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. How can Regent Park residents or grassroots groups join the conversation regarding the use of these funds?

Regent Park residents and grassroots groups who are interested in participating are able to join the Task Group of stakeholders who will meet regularly to explore priorities and scope initiatives that match the eligibility of these funds. Community members are also encouraged to participate in the Social Development Plan (SDP) Stakeholders' Table where potential initiatives will be discussed, and where feedback or input can be presented.

2. How do these resources connect to the Regent Park Social Development Plan (SDP) Stakeholders Table?

The Stakeholders' Table incorporates the leadership of residents, grassroots groups, organizations, institutions, government, Toronto Community Housing, and the City of Toronto. Together they support, steer, resource and monitor the implementation and the evolution of the Refreshed Social Development Plan. These funds are dedicated to increasing resident participation throughout the implementation of the Refreshed Social Development Plan, by resourcing capacity building initiatives for equity-seeking individuals and grassroots groups, and provide supports that reduce barriers to resident participation.

3. What supports will the City of Toronto provide?

City staff will help organize the SDP Orientation and Task Group, as well as provided ongoing context and clarity regarding the eligible/ineligible use of these funds. City staff are also able to provide input and advisory support during planning meetings on the initiatives design, monitoring and evaluation.

4. How are these funds different from the Social Development Plan (SDP) Grant?

The Community Engagement, Capacity Building & Program Support Funds are dedicated to increasing resident participation throughout the implementation of the Regent Park Social Development Plan, by resourcing capacity building initiatives for equity-seeking individuals and grassroots groups, and provide supports that reduce barriers to resident participation. The Social Development Plan Grant resources the [prioritized actions, services and programs](#) identified Social Development Plan—including new activities, services and initiatives that respond to the four pillars of the Refreshed Regent Park Social Development Plan.

5. Who holds final decision making authority over these resources?

The City of Toronto's Community Development Unit of Social Development, Finance & Administration (SDFA) holds final decision making authority over the use of these funds. Together with the Social Development Plan Stakeholders' Table, initiatives that meet the scope and eligibility of the funds will be explored, prioritized, developed, resourced and implemented by Regent Park residents, grassroots groups and agencies.