

October 26, 2018

Ms. Krista Ferraro Executive Director Ottawa Police Services Board 110 Laurier Avenue W Ottawa, ON K1P 1J1

Dear Ms. Ferraro,

The Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa and the Ottawa Police Service have established a wonderful working relationship. The Club is truly grateful for this partnership which has seen OPS volunteers at every level including leadership roles to help the Club achieve its strategic goals.

The Police Youth Centre, once owned and operated by the Ottawa Police Service, now owned and operating as a Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa Clubhouse, is currently undergoing a major rejuvenation to renovate and expand the Clubhouse to meet the demand for at-risk youth programming in the Debra-Dynes area. This renovation project was originally estimated to cost \$3.5 million but due to circumstances beyond the Club's control, including extensive environmental testing and asbestos remediation and removal, it is now estimated at \$3.9 million. The Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa would like to invite the Ottawa Police Services Board to help further their mission of empowering children and youth to reach their full potential by investing in the Club's important Clubhouse rejuvenation project with a gift of \$30,000, which will have a tremendous impact in the community.

Attached you will find an overview of the renovation project. The old facilities which are aging and in much need of repair, really limit the services and programs the Club is able to offer. This renovation will double the Club's footprint; dramatically expand, modernize and improve space; accommodate Club growth; and enhance programming, comfort and safety. Redevelopment of this facility is essential to properly support the vulnerable demographic in this neighbourhood and to make it relevant and accessible to the community, and more welcoming to all Members.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this important funding opportunity. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this project further, please feel free to contact me at 613-232-0925 extension 241 or cmooney@bgcottawa.org

Best regards,

Colleen Mooney

Executive Director

Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa