

Report to/Rapport au :

Community and Protective Services Committee
Comité des services communautaires et de protection

and Council / et au Conseil

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**SUBJECT: COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP MINOR CAPITAL PROGRAM
SUMMARY OF FUNDING ALLOCATIONS 2011**

**OBJET : RÉSUMÉ DES FONDS ALLOUÉS DANS LE CADRE DU
PROGRAMME DE PARTENARIAT COMMUNAUTAIRE POUR LES
PROJETS D'IMMOBILISATIONS SECONDAIRES POUR 2011**

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council receive the listing of projects funded through the program in 2011 as detailed in Document 1.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité des services communautaires et de protection recommande au Conseil de recevoir la liste des projets financés dans le cadre du Programme, indiqués dans le document 1.

BACKGROUND

The Community Partnership Minor Capital Program is an initiative to implement minor capital improvements to parks and recreation facilities on a cost-sharing basis. The City's budget for the program is set annually by Council through the budget process. Applications are reviewed and funds are allocated annually as per the program's

guidelines and the Branch is to report back annually to Committee and Council regarding the disposition of funds and projects.

The program was established in 2001 to enable minor capital improvements to parks and recreation facilities. As neighbourhoods change both socially and demographically, this program provides an effective means of responding quickly to the needs of communities. Community participation in fundraising, planning and installation of recreational facilities promotes community pride, ownership and stewardship of parks and recreation facilities.

Projects are funded on a cost-sharing basis between the City and community groups such as community associations, sports organizations and parent-teacher associations. To promote the Community Partnership Minor Capital Program, information is included on the City web site. Staff continue to promote the program at public meetings.

DISCUSSION

The deadlines for application submissions were May 1 and September 1, 2011. Projects were evaluated using the Council approved guidelines and principles of the program.

The 2011 approved budget envelope for the Community Partnership Minor Capital Program was \$330,000. The branch received 29 applications of which 23 met the program criteria and were approved in principle. Of those approved in principle, 15 projects have been completed, as outlined in Document 1.

Eligible projects that met the program criteria were "approved in principle". Staff continue to work with the individual groups to ensure projects are completed in compliance with City standards and guidelines. Given the nature and difficulty of fundraising by community groups, some of the projects "approved in principle" may not be completed within a 1-year term based on the abilities of the community group to meet their requirements. Any unallocated funds are combined with the following year's budget allocations.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

The program is available to all geographic areas, with six projects being approved and completed in rural Ottawa.

CONSULTATION

No public consultation was undertaken in the preparation of this report, however per the City's policy, stakeholders were consulted and approved the projects now complete and those approved in principle, will follow a consultation process for each project.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

City-wide

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal impediments to receiving the information in this report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk management impediments to implementing the recommendations in this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications as a result of the recommendation in this report. Funds are available in the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services 2012 capital budget.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

Projects will be in compliance with the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA.)

TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS

There are no technical implications associated with this report.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

The Community Partnership Minor Capital Program aligns to Corporate Strategy Priority HC2.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 - 2011 Summary of Funding Allocations

DISPOSITION

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services are proceeding with the allocation of the 2012 project funds and will submit a report to the Community and Protective Services Committee in 2013.