Report to / Rapport au:

OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA

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SUBJECT: BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF OTTAWA GRANT FOR POLICE YOUTH

CENTRE CLUBHOUSE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

OBJET: SUBVENTION AU CLUB DES GARÇONS ET FILLES D'OTTAWA

POUR LA CAMPAGNE DE FINANCEMENT DU POLICE YOUTH

CENTRE CLUBHOUSE

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Services Board approve a one-time grant of \$30,000 to the Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa to help fund the Police Youth Centre Clubhouse Capital Campaign, as recommended by the Board's Finance and Audit Committee.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa approuve une subvention ponctuelle de 30 000 \$ au Club des garçons et filles d'Ottawa pour contribuer à la campagne de financement du Police Youth Centre Clubhouse, comme le recommande le comité des finances et de la vérification de la Commission.

BACKGROUND

Attached in Document 1 is a booklet that provides an overview of the Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa (BGCO) and information on the plans for the Police Youth Centre Capital Campaign.

The BGCO is seeking assistance to help fund the redevelopment of their Police Youth Centre Clubhouse located at 1463 Prince of Wales Drive. The current facility is outdated and has surpassed its usable life. The renovation will expand, modernize, and improve the space, as well as allow for club growth, enhanced programming, and improved comfort and safety. The \$3.5 million renovation project is expected to break ground later this year.

As per Policy GA-7 Board Discretionary Fund, the Board prioritizes funding according to four categories, one of which is Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations. This grant fits well within this funding priority given the long and effective working partnership between the BGCO and the Ottawa Police Service. The Board values this important community partnership and the proactive work the BGCO does to help at-risk youth.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Discretionary funds in the amount of \$85,000 have been included in the Board's 2017 draft budget. Of this amount, \$17,000 is pre-committed or earmarked: \$10,000 for the Street Ambassador Program; and \$7,000 for the Police Associations' scholarship funds. The remaining funds are available to meet other requests and there are sufficient funds to cover this request.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 - Police Youth Centre Clubhouse Capital Campaign Booklet

CONCLUSION

The BGCO has a long standing and positive working partnership with the Ottawa Police Service that has helped to produce tangible positive outcomes for at-risk youth in Ottawa. This grant will allow the Board to contribute to that partnership and to enable the BGCO to help more at-risk children.