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From: Julia Williamson <julia.williamson@osgb.ymca.ca>
Sent: August 3, 2021 2:58 PM
To: clerk@arran-elderslie.ca
Subject: YMCA request for park use

Hello,

I am emailing to request council to waive the rental fee of \$57.96 at the park for a four-week outreach program the Youth in Transition team at the YMCA is hoping to run in Chesley to connect with and aid youth in the Chesley area through fun programs that offer social connection and local resource connection in the area. The hopes are that we can connect with youth who would benefit from becoming clients with our team. The Youth in Transition program works with youth 16-24 who experience homelessness or who have had involvement with Child Welfare in their past. We can connect them to food, education, housing and more resources. We are offering these summer programs as a fun way to reach out to youth in our surrounding area that may not know our program exists in Grey and Bruce and is there to help them as they transition into adulthood. We have seen success with this program in Meaford this summer already. We are a non-for-profit organization and have limited budgets with planning these events and so we would like to request the fee to be waived for four weeks for 4 one year programs every Wednesday.

Thank you for your consideration,

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