

Community Grants and Donations Requests for 2025

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Appendix 'E' to FIN2024.20 - 2025 Budget Draft 2 - 2025 Grants and Donations

Organization	Project description	Financial Request	In-kind Request	Staff Comments	Recommendation
Allenford Community Centre	The community centre was built 48 years ago. The roof at that time, was state of the art but has since deteriorated and requires replacement. The roof is a Butler Roof, and with this type of roof, Butler offers a solution that builds a new roof on top of the existing one. There will be a 6" space between the old roof and new roof that will be filled with insulation. This insulation will decrease operating costs in the winter and provide a cooler building in the summer. The cost of this roof is \$237,712. Quotes were received from two sources and this is the lowest quote. The club has received grants from Farm Credit and Trillium Insurance in the amounts of \$5,000 each. Commitment has been made from SBP in the amount of \$30,000. Application was made to Ontario Trillium Foundation for \$200,000 but we were not successful in this application but were encouraged by OTF to resubmit an application again this winter when the new grants are available. Extensive fundraising has taken place in the building the last two years and will continue this coming year. Residents of A-E have supported us in this fund raising. It is anticipated that the cost of the re-roof will go up in a new quote(as everything else does)	\$10,000		The Allenford Community Centre is located in South Bruce Peninsula. The request does not fall within the general guidelines of the policy. Staff recommend that a letter of support be provided to the organization for their Trillium Grant application.	
Allenford Community Park	We are looking to replace the ball diamond lights that are currently on the old ballasts. As has been seen at other diamonds (Tara 2012) these light standards are top heavy and in storms the lights have fallen to the ground.	\$20,000		Lights have been identified in the Recreation Capital Budget	
Arran Tara Grade 8 Parents	Asking to rent the Curling Club, Community Centre, and Kitchen for grade 8 graduation ceremonies as there are too many graduates to fit in the school and the cost of the graduation celebration falls on the shoulders of parents to pay for.		\$810.13	The request fits within the priority area" Community Development Grants" - support youth. Recommend an exemption to the maximum amount of \$500 to cover the entire cost.	\$ 810.13
Bruce County Heritage Association	The next Bruce County Heritage Farm show will be held on August 15, 16 & 17, 2025. Funding is being requested for the purpose contribution to the hosting of this large community event and may also be utilized for maintenance of the land. This year our show was affected by rain for the entirety of the three-day event resulting in a significant decrease in revenues. As a result of the wet, and very muddy weekend, it became apparent there is a need to construct and/or improve more gravel roads within the show grounds. The wet weather also made BCHA aware of events that could benefit from being conducted in tents. Tents would also be valuable for protection from the sun. Examples of the types of events that could benefit from tents is the auction, portions of the children's programs, and a petting zoo. BCHA members also wish to build the Children's programming to inspire a potential future in the way of agriculture. The Board of Directors has not specifically decided, at this time, what areas will be considered for improvement in 2025. A key component of the decision-making process is the organization's financial situation, private financial contributions, sponsorships, and in-kind offerings. The Bruce County Heritage Association is a not-for-profit organization relies entirely on the commitment of its volunteers. There are no paid employees of the associations and therefore, financial support from others greatly affects the sustainability and future of the association and its events.	Any		Request does not provide a specific request. Staff recommend the Municipality can support the event by sharing through our social media channels.	
Chesley AG Society	Need to update fencing at horse show, at a cost of \$ 3000.00 Fencing around show area to race track	\$3,000		*In-Kind support of municipal facilities and a \$500 grant for the Chesley Fall Fair are supported under Schedule D of this By-Law	
Chesley Homecoming	In-kind use of facilities needed for Homecoming events. April; Magic Mike Show July 28 - Aug 4; Ball Diamonds, Soccer Field, Community Centre, Curling Club, Pavilion Additional requests not in this total are beach volleyball court, parade permits, power to Diamond 2, parade permits.		\$15,988.00	*In-Kind support for fundraising events was granted in 2024 of \$1803.75 Staff recommend waiving partial fees in an amount of up to 50% . Staff recommend entering into an MOU with the committee to outline committment and responsibilities.	\$ 8,000.00

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Chesley Hospital Foundation	<p>The Chesley Hospital Foundation is responsible for fundraising for equipment and needs of the Chesley Hospital. This includes renovations, equipment, and now supporting physician recruitment. For the 2024-2025 year (fiscal year begins April 1 so we do not have a 2025-2026 budget available), The Chesley Hospital Foundation was able to change our charitable objectives to be able to support the physician recruitment, and the need for it is growing. The Chesley Hospital relies heavily on locum doctors to fill vacancies in our ER, hospitalist shifts, and vacations for our family physicians. As this need grows, so does our need for a 3rd rental unit. We currently have 2 units, 1 that is suitable for families. At today's market value, our search has led us to the conclusion that we require an additional \$26000 a year to support the month-to-month expenses and furnishing of a new apartment. This figure is for a 1-bedroom apartment. Currently for our 2 apartments, our budget is \$15200 which covers rent, and utilities for both units. At Chesley Hospital, we have need for 40 weeks of locum support just for our hospitalist position. If this falls on a vacation week, that could mean we need the support of 3 external physicians with the clinic and ER. These numbers of course don't even include medical students, or those travelling a far distance for a site tour in hopes of recruiting them to Chesley. The municipality currently supports recruitment with an incentive that is paid to our new permanent physicians over 4 years totaling \$60000. Our community is currently short 2 family doctors, and we are actively working on recruitment. There are two other upcoming projects which are needed and are also resource heavy. During SBGHC request regarding capital equipment, a 2-year project was placed on the list of medication cabinets. These cabinets act as our in-house pharmacy and are linked to a server. The total for this project has come back to \$338,466.13. The Chesley Hospital Foundation is pleased to support our hospital with all its needs, but we also know that our x-ray suite will need to be replaced and updated soon. While work has not started for that, once the medication cabinets are complete, the Chesley Hospital Foundation will begin looking at putting fundraising dollars aside in preparation.</p>	\$10,000		<p>The Foundation is requesting support for their capital request for new medication cabinets at the hospital. The municipality has shared goals with the Foundation and supports healthcare in 2025 with \$50,000 for Physician Recruitment, and operating costs for the Locum Loft.</p>	
Chesley Minor Soccer	<p>We wish to purchase player benches for our athletes, currently our players and guest teams sit on the ground. We would also like to purchase and plant trees around the fields to provide shade and protection to both players and fans, soccer is played rain or shine. Trees offer protection from both.</p>	\$10,000		<p>This request may be forwarded to Recreation Dept. for consideration and directed to our Fundraising and Donations Policy if the group would like to start a project.</p>	
Chesley Nursery School	<p>The Chesley Nursery School is reliant on annual fundraising efforts to maintain our program availability to all families, regardless of their household income. Donation request for community centre rental for annual pancake supper</p>		\$401.50	<p>The request fits within the priority area of Community Development in support of the health and welfare of people within the community.</p>	\$ 401.50
Crime Stoppers of Grey-Bruce	<p>Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce is requesting core funding from the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie in the amount of \$2,500, each year for the next two years, to be used toward ongoing operational expenses. This could be a mix of funding toward promotional/educational materials, displays during community events, and office administrative costs such as salary, phone lines, equipment upkeep, and supplies.</p>	\$2500 per year for 2 years.		<p>Request may not fit within the parameters and priorities of this grant for 2025. This request will be discussed at a future South Bruce OPP Detachment Board meeting.</p>	

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Kinette Club of Chesley	We would like to be considered for in-kind use of community facilities for our fundraisers that benefit the community of Chesley.		\$1,500.00	Request does not provide for a specific event.	
Royal Canadian Legion Tara	Commercial Wheelchair Stair Lift for mail floor entrance to basement level	\$20,000		This is not a municipally owned building. This request does fit within the parameters and priorities of this grant for 2025.	
Tara Area Food Bank	Quite simply, this money will buy groceries for the Food Bank. Although we receive generous donations of non-perishable food from our community, we need to purchase groceries to keep the pantry stocked for those in need. Our grocery bill far exceeds the yearly financial donations from our community. This donation will help the Tara Food Bank sustain its operations without having to cut back on the amount of groceries we are able to give our clients. We have had 51 families access the Tara Area Food Bank already in 2024. Our organization is run by a team of amazing volunteers including those who run the Food Bank on Wednesdays and the people who work behind the scenes shopping for groceries, filling shelves, doing paperwork, answering phone calls, etc. We currently have over 20 volunteers! Hunger is a growing concern everywhere, including in and around Tara. Over the last couple of years, with higher usage and higher grocery costs, it has been a challenge to meet needs. Tara Area Food Bank is requesting these funds to assist with grocery purchases to keep our shelves stocked with food and meet the needs of our community.	\$6,000		The request fits within the priority area of Community Development in support of the health and welfare of people within the community. Staff recommend a donation in the amount of \$500.	\$ 500.00
Trinity Theatre and Paisley Rotary Club	Trinity Theatre has started a Rotary Interact Club at Paisley Central School. Some of the students involved with this club have moved on to Grade 9 at WDCS. Going forward our plan is to continue meeting with the students at PCS during class time, and with those who now attend WDCS and the PCS students either online or in-person bi-weekly. Our request to the municipality is for an in-kind donation for the use of the Paisley Community Centre hall once a month for the in person meetings. Our preference would be for an evening that the library is open.		\$772.92	The request fits within the priority area "Community Development Grants" - support youth. Recommend an exemption to the maximum amount of \$500 to cover the entire cost.	\$ 772.92
		\$79,000	\$19,472.55		\$ 10,484.55