



Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: August 22, 2023
Originated By: Esther Quiambao, General Manager of Planning and Community Services
Title: 2023 Community Funding Budget Redistribution Request

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

In the 2023 Operating Budget, Council allocated \$200,000 for two Community Funding programs established through policy: Policy 3C.012 the Community Action Grant (CAG) Policy and Policy 2A.003 Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy. Administration is requesting Council consider a redistribution of the funds between these two programs considering the proportion of community requests actually received to date.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

The Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy monetary budget of \$30,000 has been oversubscribed and fully funded as of the end of June 2023. There has been 45+ monetary requests awarded and currently seven requests pending at an estimated total of \$36,700.

To date, the CAG Program budget of \$170,000 has provided \$39,500 to local non-profit community groups events and projects with an additional \$31,400 pending requests received and being processed. This program has one application intake remaining (by October 15, 2023) for the Events/Programs Sponsorship or Small Capital Project Streams at a maximum value of \$5,000 per application.

Given the unlikelihood of the remaining available CAG budget to be fully utilized, Administration recommends Council considers transferring \$30,000 from the Community Action Grant Program 2023 budget to the Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy budget.

Attached for Council's information:

- Appendix A: Approved Funding through Policy No. 2A.003 Donation, Sponsorship and Recognition Policy Quarter 2 Update (April to June 30, 2023)

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 1: Building a Prosperous and Sustainable Community

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

n/a

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

2023 Current Budget Allocations:

- Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy: \$30,000
- Community Action Grant Program Policy: \$170,000

Requested redistribution:

- Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy: \$60,000
- Community Action Grant Program Policy: \$140,000

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

To be announced through the Council Meeting Highlights by Communications department; all pending requests to the Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy be informed of Council's decision and processed.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council approves a transfer of \$30,000 from the 2023 Community Action Grant Program Operating Budget to the 2023 Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy Operating Budget, effective immediately.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council approves a transfer of \$30,000 from the 2023 Community Action Grant Program Operating Budget to the 2023 Donation, Sponsorship, and Recognition Policy Operating Budget, effective immediately,
2. THAT Council accepts the 2023 Community Funding Budget Redistribution Request as information.

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	2023 Community Funding Budget Redistribution Request.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix A-Donations Policy 2023 Q2 Update.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Aug 16, 2023

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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