Mayor and Council Community Initiatives

2025 Operating Budget

	Community Initiatives - Ongoing	Community Initiatives - One Time	2025 Budget		2026 Request	Page #
Expenditures						
Committees						
Committees Groups Appointed by Council						
Heritage Committee	2,000		2,000		2,500	3
Ec Dev Advisory Committee	2,000		2,000		-	4
EG Accessibility Advisory Committee	2,000		2,000		2,000	5
Art & Culture Advisory Committee	2,000		2,000		2,000	6
Environmental Advisory Committee	2,000		2,000		2,000	7
Trails Committee	2,000		2,000		2,000	8
Diversity & Inclusion Advisory Committee	2,000		2,000		2,000	9
Youth Advisory Committee	2,000		2,000		2,000	10
Total Committees Groups Appointed by Council	16,000		16,000		14,500	
Working Groups						
Broadband Working Committee	2,000		2,000		-	11
Total Working Groups	2,000		2,000		0	
Community Groups						
River Drive Park Community Group	2,000		2,000		2,500	12
North Union Community Group	2,000		2,000		2,000	13
Holland Landing Community Group	2,000		2,000		2,000	14
Queensville Sharon Community Group	2,000		2,000		2,000	15
Total Community Groups	8,000		8,000		8,500	
Subtotal Committees	26,000		26,000		23,000	
Community Grants						
Mount Albert Sports Day and Spring Fair		10,000	10,000		20,000	16
Routes Connecting Communities	7,500		7,500		10,000	17
Sharon Temple Museum	43,500		43,500		44,500	18
Sharon Temple-Canada Day	3,000		3,000		3,000	18
East Gwillimbury Gardeners	1,000		1,000		1,000	19
Chamber of Commerce Tourism	8,500		8,500		8,500	20
Total Community Grants	63,500	10,000	73,500		87,000	
Other						
Committee Contingency	3,000		3,000		3,000	
Pancake Breakfast	4,000		4,000		4,000	
Total Other	7,000		7,000		7,000	
Total Expenditures	**96,500**	**10,000**	**106,500**		**117,000**	
New Group Requests						
Sharon Burying Grounds					6,500	21
Total New Group Requests					6,500	
NET BUDGET	**96,500**	**10,000**	**106,500**		**123,500**	

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name	Heritage Committee
Department/Branch	Council & Community
Type of Funding	Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

2025 funds were used to send members of the HAC to the Ontario Heritage Conference

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Given the recent changes to the Ontario Heritage Act, the conference was an invaluable opportunity for members to learn more about their changing role in
Heritage Planning. Members also had the opportunity to connect with heritage advisory committee members from other municipalities who are facing the same challenges we are in EG to brainstorm how best to address these challenges moving forward.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
April 29, 2025	Ontario Heritage Conference - member registration	$ 317
April 29, 2025	Ontario Heritage Conference - member registration	$ 317
June 19, 2025	Ontario Heritage Conference - member mileage	$ 343
June 19, 2025	Ontario Heritage Conference - member mileage	$ 264
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 1,241.22**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 1,241**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

The Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) is requesting $2,500 in 2026, representing an increase of $500 from the 2025 budget. This increase will help ensure that all members can attend the Ontario Heritage Conference in 2026. In 2025, only two members attended the conference due to various factors. However, should all members wish to attend in 2026, the current budget of $2,000 would not be sufficient to cover associated costs (e.g., hotels, mileage). In previous years, some members were also required to pay certain expenses out of pocket for this reason. In addition, the HAC is looking to purchase plaques to display on heritage buildings in East Gwillimbury. At its August meeting, the Committee passed the following motion:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the HAC request that the 2026 budget be set at $2,500 to support member attendance at the Ontario Heritage Conference and to purchase plaques for heritage properties in the community.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 2,500.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Ec Dev Advisory Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$ 2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

No expenses in 2025.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
		$ -
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ -**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

		$ -
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ -**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

No funds requested in 2026.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ -**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: EG Accessibility Advisory Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

Funds will be used for items that promote the AAC, including branded keychains and a pull-up banner. They will also be used to purchase coffee and refreshments for an in-person AAC meeting.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

The purchased items will result in the community having increased awareness of the AAC and its function.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ -**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

01-Oct-25	banner	$ 158.19
22-Sep-25	500 keychains	$ 1,550.00
30-Sep-25	coffee and refreshments	$ 291.81
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 2,000.00**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 2,000.00**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

The AAC expects to use the 2026 budget on initiatives that raise awareness about disability and accessibility through engagement and education.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Art & Culture Advisory Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community | Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

The Arts & Culture Advisory Committee used budget funds as follows:
•Outreach at Town parks and facilities; Family Day, farmers market; Celebrating the Arts: A Taste of Culture and the upcoming new Culture Crawl and HALP Opening. Funds were used to purchase supplies, grid rentals, awards, and fees.
•Working with Business Development to finalize the commemorative paddle for new business and businesses celebrating milestones. Funds are used to purchase paddle to supply to Business Development.
•Paddle Project: 1) Continue to promote the "signature" art piece (Paddle Project) for the Town, Purchase of Paddles for resale; 2) Paddles were on display-created by residents for a prize to encourage individual public art creation/displays. Funds were used to purchase paddles, rent display grids; and to purchase prizes.
•The Committee was involved with community groups: 1) Lunar New Year - Funds were used to purchase supplies to create activities and provide information to residents.
•The Committee commenced the process to procure Public Art for Carnaby Park.
• The Committee has also commenced the request for creating a new strategic plan for Arts and Culture.
• Additional Funds of $5,000 given to Recreation, Community Engagement and Events is being reported by R. Wilson.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Benefits to the Community are as set out in the Arts and Culture's Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference and are in line with the Town's overall strategic plan. The Committee strives to achieve this through outreach programs and activities it engages in:
•To provide expert community input on public art policies, projects, and procedures.
•Recommendations on activities for the stabilization and strengthening of the arts and culture community; and by volunteering to ensure that these activities occur.
•Providing encouragement to artists and art organizations in the community.
•Fostering the development of and promote awareness of public arts and cultural activities in East Gwillimbury.
•Acting as a point of contact and connection for members of the arts community and the Town's diverse cultural community.
•Celebrate the social and economic benefits of arts and culture throughout the community and its role in creating quality of place.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Community Support (Lunar New Year, Mount Albert Sports Day Event)	$ 371
	Paddle Project - Purchase of Paddles for resale to community - EG Signature Art & Business Development Use	$ 742
	Revenues received to offset purchase of paddles	($180)
	Family Day Outreach	$ 36
	Celebrating the Arts	$ 453
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 1,421.91**
Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
	Culture Crawl & HALP Opening Outreach	$ 650
	Additional Revenues to be received re sale of paddles	($90)
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 560.00**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 1,982**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

The Committee will use the requested funds primarily for creating handouts; activity kits and displays, more particularly described as follows:

•Purchasing supplies and creating kits and sourcing activities for outreach at EG Market, Town events and others.
•Partnering with local community groups to promote awareness of arts and culture in EG, by purchasing supplies to create activities and promote Arts & Culture..
•Promoting local artists at various locations around Town Facilities; cost of rental of display grids, appropriate signage, and information.
•Partnering with the EG Library in support of artistic and cultural events, art displays; poetry & story readings; cultural displays, to name a few.
•Continuing to advise and attend Town run events, namely, Family Day, Music Night, Celebrating the Arts, Halloween Hike, etc.
•Partnering with Business Development and Recreation, Community Engagement and Events to host the Culture Crawl and Studio Tour. The Committee supports the request of Recreation, Community Engagement and Events to continue Culture Crawl (and Studio Tour) as a Town event.
•Partnering with Business Development by purchase paddles for wrapping and for gifting to local businesses on their milestone, opening, etc.
•Continuing to promote the Paddle Project as a community feature, by procuring paddles and reselling to residents; working with Town staff to host workshops for residents to help them decorate their paddles.
•Advising Town Staffing on revitalization of key areas.
•Advising Town Staff in the procurement of Public Art for designated parks and facilities. Funds would be used to visit shortlisted artists to assess the quality of art produced.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$**	**2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**Yes**	

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Environmental Advisory Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$ 2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

Community outreach and environmental education and awareness. In May 2025, Council approved a motion to purchase lawn sings for after cleanups in an area. The need came from the evidence that when the community knows an area was cleaned up by the same community, the chances of littering are reduced and the signs also created awareness of the cleanup program. For the holiday's campaign, this would be the 4th year that the EAC provides road signs to promote the reduction of waste during the holiday season in December. "Reduce packaging, Give moments"

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

The community is more aware of clean up areas and activities, as areas that were cleaned up showed "no littering" signs for a period of time. The holiday signs also allows the community to re-think the way they celebrate the holidays with less waste.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
09-Jun-25	Litter awareness signs	$ 511
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 511**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

November	Native seeds to give away	$ 489
December	Holiday campaign -road signs	$ 1,000
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 1,489.24**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 2,000.00**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

The EAC supports the annual community cleanup program by providing cleanup supplies and communication, valued in approx. 1,000. Cleanup supplies bought in 2024 were sufficient to provide supplies for 2025. However, as the program expands and adapts to community needs, EAC expects the need for further and enhanced communication of the program, to improve and increase community outreach. Also, EAC is planning to launch an invasive species program that will require supplies and communication. More details will be provided as the planning progresses.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Active Transportation and Trails Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

Used to provide visitors to the ATTAC booth at the Eco Fair with trail mix.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Promote Town trails and benefits of being active

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Trail mix for Eco-Fair	$ 64
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 64.16**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
		$ -
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 64**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

$2000 to be used to promote trail events and invite speakers to events.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$**	**2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget		**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST **$ 2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

A pull-out banner for DIAC was purchased. Food was provided at the Newcomer Welcoming Event. At the past 2025 Lunar New Year event, a calligraphy artist provided services.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

The banner will allow DIAC to communicate about their work when engaging in community events. Food at the Welcoming Week event contributed to the celebration of diversity. The calligraphy artist at the Lunar New Year event was a culturally relevant activity.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
28-Jul-25	DIAC banner	$ 158.19
05-Feb-25	calligraphy artist on lunar new year	$ 678.00
18-Sep-25	food for welcoming week participants	$ 700.00
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 1,536.19**
Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
01-Oct-25	HALP inclusion activities materials (projected)	$ 200.00
01-Dec-25	Coffee for in person DIAC meeting	$ 263.81
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 463.81**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 2,000.00**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

DIAC expects to use the requested 2026 budget for coffee/refreshments for an in-person DIAC meeting and to supplement the 2026 Lunar New Year event.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Youth Advisory Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

Funds have been used so far this year to cover the meeting cost for food to try and draw in more members. For the remainder of the year, the YAC plans to get items to assist with their recruitment and use at all future Community Engagement opportunities, events, and meetings.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Providing free food opportunities, social connections, and a safe space to Youth who attend the YAC meeting. Food was provided to draw more Youth to the meeting to get more impactful and diverse feedback.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL		AMOUNT
10-Feb	Papa D's Pizza	$	34
24-Mar	Papa D's Pizza	$	39
14-Apr	Papa D's Pizza	$	39
12-May	Papa D's Pizza	$	39
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$**	**150.85**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025			
September	Papa D's Pizza	$	39
October	Papa D's Pizza	$	39
November	Papa D's Pizza	$	39
December	Papa D's Pizza	$	39
	Table Cloth	$	350
	Fidget Toys	$	80
	Jibbitz	$	450
	Key Chains	$	475
	Plinko/Spinner board	$	150
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$**	**1,660.32**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$**	**1,811**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

For 2026, the YAC would use the funding to continue to provide food for Youth in the community at their meetings, have funding for more advertisement/giveaway opportunities to gain more members. Host specific Youth event(s) that are not typically hosted (Ex. Chess Tournament, Video Game Night, Youth Movie Nights, etc.).

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$**	**2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**	

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Broadband Working Committee

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

No expenses in 2025.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
		$ -
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ -**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

		$ -
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ -**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

No funds requested in 2026.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ -**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: River Drive Park CRCC

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST $ 2,000.00

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

The funds will be use to fund our 3 existing events in River Drive Park

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

We have been doing these activities for over 30 years, connects our residents to get out, meet other community members, and gives a sense of community that you don't see or feel in many places anymore

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Community event in the park, live music, food and raffles	$ 1,200
	Kids Christmas party 2025	$ 500
	Senior Luncheon	$ 500
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 2,200.00**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 2,200**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

We have been doing these activities for over 30 years. Connects our residents to get out and meet other community members and gives a sense of community that you don't see or feel in many places anymore. If possible I would like an increase in funding to provide a little more entertainment at the kids Christmas party and maybe help fund a new event of cards.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name	North Union CRCC		
Department/Branch	Council & Community	Type of Funding	Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

PLACE HOLDER

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ -**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ -**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST
DESCRIPTION

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ -**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Holland Landing Community Group

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

The HLCG will also hold our 6th annual "Light Up The Landing" in December. To reduce costs, local businesses will be approached for prizes.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Promote Community Engagement

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ -**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
	Curbex Signs for Light Up The Landing	$ 700
	Prizes for winners	$ 300
	Additional advertising costs	$ 300
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 1,300.00**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 1,300**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST

DESCRIPTION

The HLCG hopes to execute 2-3 planned events in 2026 including some type of fall festival/fair for Holland Landing. Requesting $2000.00 for 2026

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name	Queensville Sharon Community Group
Department/Branch	Council & Community
Type of Funding	Reimbursement of Expenses

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**2,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

No events this year…no expenses

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	none	
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ -**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	none	
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ -**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

Requesting same amount as previous years. Funds to be used same as previous years for 2 events. A Park Party and Pumpkin giveaway at Fire open house.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 2,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Mount Albert Sports Day and Spring Fair

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Direct Payment

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$ 10,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

The $10,000 was leveraged to assist in covering the costs associated with providing fair attendees with FREE fair gate admission. In the past, gate admissions resulted in approx. 26K of revenue so the 10K assisted us in providing this to the community.

Note that the Town of East Gwillimbury also waived important fees for the 100th 2025 event as they have done in prior years. These fees were associated with road closures, permits, etc.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Having the opportunity to offer our community FREE Admission was a positive change that was embraced. This first time ever change benefited the community by maximizing community engagement (encouraged attendance from diverse groups who may not have attended otherwise), built goodwill and strengthened ties to the event (possibly leading to repeat visits in future), boosted vendor and sponsor visibility with higher foot traffic, encouraged more people to attend particularly those on a budget. It also improved logistics by reducing bottlenecks at entry points (good for traffic flow and safety) and eliminated need for ticketing, money handling, and volunteers to manage.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
08-Jun-25	Towards the support for Free Gate Entry Admission	$ 10,000
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 10,000.00**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 10,000**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST

DESCRIPTION

The Mount Albert Downtown Revitalization project timelines are scheduled into Q4' 2026 so it is highly unlikely that this beloved Community tradition can occur at the Community Centre property, the Home of Mount Albert Sports Day. So, due to this uncertainty about the location of the 2026 Mount Albert Sports Day & Spring Fair event, we are requesting more funds than we have previously as we have not identified a new location nor have had the opportunity to assess new location opportunities, expenses, requirements. etc. We also recognize that there is a high probability that this event may not happen in 2026. There are many factors that will contribute to this decision (funds, leadership, volunteers, location availability, etc.)

In addition to the above, we are requesting that the Town of East Gwillimbury continue to waive important fees for the 2026 event. These fees were associated with road closures, permits, etc. The exact cost of waiving these fees is unknown but, based on learnings from last year, it is in the ballpark of $25-30K

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 20,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**Yes**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name	Routes Connecting Communities
Department/Branch	Council & Community
Type of Funding	Direct Payment

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$ 7,500.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

First we at Routes want to extend our appreciation to the town of East-Gwillimbury for your contribution in 2025. Thanks to your support, from January-June 2025, we have provided 1,066 rides for EG residents, with 533 trips originating in E.G. and 22 trips with destinations in E.G. 620 of these trips were on our QuestBus.
446 trips were either in our accessible van or a volunteer driver's vehicle. Additionally, with this funding we have supported 59 unique EG residents access transportation (an average of 18 rides per person resident). The scope of these trips ensure EG residents have access to their medical appointments and social gatherings to ensure they are connected in their communities. We also provided friendly calls to 2 unique residents who were socially isolated distributed, over 1500 brain games booklets to support healthy aging at home, and recruited 6 volunteers to our organization through outreach and community engagement efforts at local farmers markets, and at various events through the Spring of 2025

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Routes provides social connections, transportation, community engagement and peer support. We are a volunteer driven organization who deliver services through our core values of Inclusivity and Belonging, Compassionate Support, Collective Impact and Power of Community. A number of our clients are socially isolated, aging and living in a rural area. Routes is often referred to as "the lifeline" to our clients. We offer safe, affordable, compassionate and timely transportation, friendly phone calls, essential food deliveries and pen pals. Client feedback is an essential part of our grass-roots approach. Please see below for a testimonial from resident volunteer who benefitted from this funding. “Volunteering as a driver with Routes has been a great way to give back. I enjoy the one-on-one connections with clients and it feels nice knowing that I am helping people get to important appointments and services that they rely on."

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
Jan-June 2025	Outreach	$ 500
Jan-June 2025	Social Engagement Programs (Community Lunch, Friendly Callers, Brain Games, etc.)	$ 3,125
Jan-June 2025	Transportation Fee Subsidy Support	$ 1,500
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 5,125.00**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
June-Dec 2025	Volunteer Appreciation Event	$ 1,375
June-Dec 2025	Transportation Subsidy	$ 1,000
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 2,375.00**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 7,500**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

The team at Routes Connecting Communities are requesting $10,000 in order to provide subsidized transportation and essential meal deliveries as efficiently as possible to residents who experience barriers leaving their homes due to financial, social and physical limitations. These resources will also support residents dealing with social isolation by connecting to our friendly calls program, delivery of our brain games booklet and launch a new hot meal delivery service. Our outreach and volunteer engagement efforts will continue to ensure residents know about our programs and strengthen community connections through volunteerism. Our request is higher than what was granted in 2025 to accommodate for several expense increases that our teams control.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 10,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**Yes**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name	Sharon Temple Museum & Canada Day
Department/Branch	Council & Community
Type of Funding	50% on Budget Approval, 50% on Audited Financial St

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$ 46,500.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

Funding provided by the Town of East Gwillimbury was used to assist with operating expenses of the site and contribute towards the Canada Day Community Celebration.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

The Sharon Museum & Gardens is a community space that is welcoming to all residents. We will offer the residents of EG the opportunity to attend the following events in 2025: Canada Day Community Celebration, two Classic Car shows, Haunted Halloween, Farm to Fork and Old Fashioned Christmas, all free of charge. Both of the Car Shows and Farm to Fork attract tourists from around the GTA which draws dollars into other businesses in the community.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
Jan - July	Insurance	$ 20,373
Jan - July	Hydro	$ 6,318
Jan - July	Grounds Maintenance	$ 4,411
Jan - July	Pest Control	$ 935
Jan - July	Security	$ 802
Jan - July	Historical Building Maintenance	$ 3,183
Jan - July	Canada Day Event Expenses	$ 4,111
Jan - July	Internet and Phone	$ 2,044
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 42,177.00**
Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
Aug - Dec 2025	Insurance	$ 256
Aug - Dec 2025	Hydro	$ 4,513
Aug - Dec 2025	Grounds Maintenance	$ 3,151
Aug - Dec 2025	Pest Control	$ 668
Aug - Dec 2025	Security	$ 573
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 9,161.00**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 51,338**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

Due to inflation we are requesting an increase to $44,500 for site operating expenses and $3,000 to cover Canada Day Community Celebration Expenses. Thank you.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 47,500.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**Yes**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: East Gwillimbury Gardeners

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Direct Payment

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST **$ 1,000.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

We did not receive funds in 2025. However, the town did kindly plant a tree and install a plaque for our 100th Anniversary which we greatly appreciated. Funds received in the past were directed towards paying for our speakers and other programs such as our Junior Gardeners, purchasing plants for our public gardens and outreach programs with the EGPL such as the Seed Library.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Our society upkeeps several public gardens within East Gwillimbury which adds beauty to our town. Many people express how much they enjoy the gardens. Our meetings are open to the public and the speakers we present provide good horticultural education. In addition we help fund and run the very popular seed library at the EGPL. We also run workshops for the Library. In 2025 we offered workshops on invasive species, seed starting and composting. We also run a program for CHATS and plan to run a floral design workshop for the 55 and Up club this fall. Our membership is at 103 adults plus 19 youth, and we have logged almost 2,000 volunteer hours this year so far.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
Various 2025	Plants for Millennium Garden, Birchard, Pioneer Cemetery, Literacy Garden	$ 182
Various 2025	Speakers at Public Meetings	$ 935
Various 2025	Youth Program	$ 268
Various 2025	100th Anniversary activities	$ 716
January 2025	CHATS Program	$ 75
January 2025	Donation to EGPL Seed Library	$ 500
April 2025	EG Eco Fair	$ 29
June 2025	Mount Albert Community Center Rental	$ 496
August 2025	EG in Bloom	$ 251
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 3,451.86**
Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025		
Various 2025	Youth Program	$ 100
Various 2025	Speaker at September, October, and November meetings	$ 1,061
Various 2025	Plants for Millennium Garden, Birchard, Pioneer Cemetery, Literacy Garden	$ 200
November	Thank you lunch for garden clean up volunteers	$ 300
November	Donation to 3 EG Food Banks	$ 750
December	CHATS Program	$ 100
	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ 2,510.50**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 5,962**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

We request $1,000.00 to allow us to continue the good work we do for the community of East Gwillimbury. Funds received in 2026 will be spent similarly to 2024. While we do collect membership fees, those fees go towards our Ontario Horticultural Association fees (liability and board insurance), providing small tokens of appreciation to our volunteers and to covering our speaker fees. Funding from the town assists us with speaker fees and allows us to look after the public gardens and run other programs for the community for free, while also keeping our membership fees low so that our group is accessible.

We thank you for your ongoing support of our society.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 1,000.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**No**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING

Group Name: Chamber of Commerce Tourism

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Direct Payment

2025 APPROVED FUNDING

2025 APPROVED FUNDING REQUEST	**$**	**8,500.00**

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WERE USED

The Central York Chamber of Commerce utilized the 2025 TOEG funding to deliver the 10th Annual Farm to Fork Tour. Building on the momentum of previous years, the Chamber expanded its marketing strategy to increase visibility and community engagement. The funding also supported East Gwillimbury (EG) Tourism initiatives by strengthening staff capacity and enhancing social media presence.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

The Annual Farm to Fork Tour continues to be a cornerstone of agritourism in the region, with year-over-year increases in both exposure and attendance. Many visitors return throughout the year after the event, contributing to sustained economic activity well beyond the tour itself. The event supports the local community by creating employment opportunities, encouraging volunteerism, and driving tourism-related revenue through increased spending at local farms, markets, and businesses. Beyond its economic benefits, the tour provides a valuable educational experience, offering attendees a deeper understanding of local agriculture, sustainable farming practices, and the origins of their food.

EXPENDITURE DETAILS - CURRENT YEAR

DATE	EXPENDITURE DETAIL	AMOUNT
	Farm to Fork Advertising	$ 4,500
	Farm to Fork Staff Resources	$ 3,500
	Farm to Fork Miscellaneous Expenses	$ 500
	Total Expenditures to Date	**$ 8,500.00**

Expected Expenditures to December 31, 2025

	Total Expenditures Expected to December 31, 2025	**$ -**
	Total 2025 Expected Expenditures	**$ 8,500**

2026 FUNDING REQUEST DESCRIPTION

The Central York Chamber of Commerce is seeking funding to support the 2026 Farm to Fork Tour. This funding will help sustain the event's continued success and amplify its positive economic impact on our community, local farms, and small businesses. As part of this request, we are also including a Chamber membership, which grants full access to Central York Chamber benefits and formal recognition as a partner of the Farm to Fork Tour.

2026 FUNDING REQUESTED AMOUNT	**$ 8,500.00**
We would like to make a presentation to Council for the 2026 Budget	**Yes**

2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE/COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING REQUEST

Group Name: Sharon Burying Ground

Department/Branch: Council & Community

Type of Funding: Reimbursement of Expenses

2026 FUNDING REQUEST

$6,500

DESCRIBE HOW FUNDS WILL BE USED

Service in Kind Funds will be used for the ongoing maintenance of the grounds of the Sharon Burying Ground.

BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

Maintenance of this historic property at the entrance to the village of Sharon enhances the visitor experience for both local and out of town visitors as well as contributing to the safety and security of the site.

Do you wish to present this funding request to Council during the Budget Discussions? NO