



Staff Report

Report Title: NWMO 2023/2024 Community Initiatives Update - Nov. 2023

Prepared By: Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator

Department: CAO

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Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO-2023-12-40, prepared by Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator.

Background:

Community Well-Being Program (CWBP)

The Community Well-Being Program was developed in 2018 through programs offered by the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) when Huron-Kinloss was in the site-selection process and learning more about Canada's Long-Term Plan for Used Nuclear Fuel. To date, the Township of Huron-Kinloss has invested \$400,000 into the community through this grant. In March 2023, Council approved the program for 2023 & 2024.

Early Investment in Education and Skills Program (EIES)

The Early Investment in Education and Skills Program (EIES) provides funding for local businesses and Huron-Kinloss residents looking to advance their skill sets. For additional information on the Early Investment in Education and Skills program, please visit the Huron-Kinloss website - <https://www.huronkinloss.com/live-here/canadas-plan-for-used-nuclear-fuel/funding-programs/>

Discussion:

Community Well-Being Program (CWBP)

2023 CWBP Final reports are being reviewed by the Administrative Coordinator. Successful recipients are being reminded of their reporting requirements and the Administrative Coordinator is working with organizations to ensure compliance. A complete breakdown of the 2023 Community Well-Being Program will be included in the January COW report. Marketing efforts for the 2024 program are going to begin in December and continue through January 2024. The 2024 CWBP will start in February.

Early Investment in Education and Skills Program (EIES)

The Administrative Coordinator continues to review applications and work with Huron-Kinloss residents and businesses who are interested in the 2023 program. The Chief Administrative Officer is working in partnership with the NWMO to determine funding for the 2024 program, and new program parameters are being developed with the support of the EIES committee. A full breakdown of the 2023 program including the budget will be included in the January COW report and will be sent to the Nuclear Waste Management Organization as per our reporting requirements outlined in the 2023 EIES funding agreement. The Administrative Coordinator is exploring potential partnerships for our 2024 program and will begin marketing and community outreach efforts once the program funding is confirmed.

Financial Impacts:

\$100,000 from the Community Well-Being Fund will be given out in 2024.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

The information provided in this report is consistent with and in keeping with the Municipality's Vision & Mission and to the goals in achieving a prosperous community and an accessible community.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator

Report Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer