



Staff Report

Report Title: NWMO March 2024 Community Initiatives Update

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Department: CAO

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Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO-2024-03-11, prepared by Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator.

Background:

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.

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

The Administrative Coordinator has begun the process of reviewing Community Well-Being Program (CWBP) applications and is currently working with organizations to finalize the necessary forms so they can be considered for funding. Applications are being accepted until March 11th, with a review process afterward. Our CWBP committee meeting to review, and approve/deny applications will be held in early

April. Once the recipients are chosen, the Administrative Coordinator will schedule a photo shoot and alert the press.

Early Investment in Education and Skills

On February 20th, the EIES Committee met and approved the 2024 EIES Program Guidelines. The committee also discussed appointing Christine Heinisch to the committee as a replacement for Mary Rose Walden, as Mary Rose is retiring. A full report (CAO-2024-03-11) has been submitted to the Committee of the Whole for review.

Financial Impacts:

\$130,000 from the Community Well-Being program and the Early Investment in Education and Skills program being dispersed 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 an inclusive, and transparent community.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator

Report Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer