



# The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

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## Staff Report

**Report Title:** NWMO - 2024 EIES – Program addition

**Date:** Apr. 3, 2024

**Report Number:** CAO-2024-04-16

**Department:** CAO

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**Prepared By:** Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator

**Attachments:** EIES\_Guidelines\_2024\_SiS

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### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO-2024-04-16 prepared by Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator;

AND FURTHER approves funding the Family Science Night as part of the amended EIES Program Guidelines.

### **Background:**

The Township of Huron-Kinloss partnered with the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) to provide the Early Investment in Education and Skills program, to help build capacity to support education and skills training for Huron-Kinloss residents and provide funding for youth with an emphasis on learning initiatives that focus on science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). This program includes investments in training and education to equip community members, including youth to work in STEM related careers in the future. These investments are intended to include transferable skills that could be applied to other projects or workplaces. The 2024 EIES program parameters are attached.

### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

The EIES budget for 2024 is \$30,000 and of that, we committed \$2,500 each to Lucknow Central Public School and Ripley Huron Community School to support environmental, science, math, or technology initiatives. Funding is committed to support youth employment at the Bruce Botanical Food Gardens and offer a reduced registration fee for each Huron-Kinloss youth who participates in the Discovery Western Science Camp. Huron-Kinloss businesses and residents submit applications to receive funding for workplace training and continuing education.

Staff is recommending that the Council support using available funds from the EIES program to offer a Family Science Night within Huron-Kinloss and bring in "Scientists in School". This organization provides young people an opportunity to discover the fun and fascinating side of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) through exciting hands-on workshops. Scientists in School will bring four workshops to Family Science Night and offer a variety of STEM related activities. The cost to offer Family Science Night to our community is estimated at \$1,500 and can support up to 200 adults and youth.

**Financial Impacts:** \$30,000 in funding provided by the NWMO dispersed to Huron-Kinloss residents and businesses through the Early Investment in Education and Skills Program

**Performance Measurement:**

N/A

**Strategic Area:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle | <input type="checkbox"/> Enhance Municipal Service Delivery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare for Inclusive Growth                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure Financial Stability         |

**Strategic Goal: Build Community Capacity**

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mike Bartlett, Administrative Coordinator

**Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer