

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

TO: *MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS*

SUBJECT: SENIORS GROUPS LUNCH/DINNER GRANTS

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council award a grant of \$12 per person to Burnaby based seniors' groups applying for a 2023 lunch or dinner grant.

REPORT

The Executive Committee of Council, at its Open meeting held on November 1, 2023, received and adopted the attached report seeking Council authorization to award the 2023 lunch/dinner grants to Burnaby based seniors groups.

On behalf of Executive
Committee of Council,

Councillor S. Dhaliwal
Chair

Councillor R. Lee
Vice Chair

TO: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL (ECC)
FROM: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
SUBJECT: **2023 SENIORS GROUPS LUNCH/DINNER GRANTS**
PURPOSE: To seek Council authorization to award the 2023 lunch/dinner grants to Burnaby based senior groups.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council award a grant of \$10 per person to Burnaby based seniors groups applying for a 2023 lunch or dinner grant.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 POLICY SECTION

The seniors lunch/dinner grant program is aligned with the following Council adopted City policies and plans/strategies: Corporate Strategic Plan (2022), Equity Policy (2020) and Social Sustainability Strategy (2011).

2.0 BACKGROUND

To receive a lunch/dinner grant, applicants submit a written request, providing the date and location of the event, and the number of residents who will be attending. This correspondence is included on the Executive Committee of Council (ECC) agenda to keep the ECC informed of the requests.

In previous years, the City received requests from Burnaby-based seniors groups for a grant in support of a holiday lunch/dinner for their residents or clients. The table below summarizes the value of the grants awarded annually between 2017 and 2022.

2016 – 2022 Christmas Lunch/Dinner Grants						
Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total of Awarded Grants	\$9,952	\$11,240	\$7,792	\$1,800	\$0.00	\$3,880

3.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

For 2023, we have received submissions from five groups to date. The table below provides an overview of the 2023 grant requests and the amounts requested by each

group. The list is not exhaustive, as different groups may apply from year to year, or new groups may be established.

2023 Holiday Lunch/Dinner Grant Requests to Date		
Seniors Group	Number of Attendees	Grant Amount
115 Place Co-Op	150	\$1,500
Bonsor 55+ Society	110	\$1,100
Cameron Seniors Society	100	\$1,000
Fair Haven Super Seniors	50	\$500
McKay Seniors Group	55	\$550
Total	465	\$4,650

Upon approval, staff will process 2023 requests and issue grants to Burnaby-based senior groups organizing holiday lunches or dinners for the 2023 calendar year with a limit of one grant per organization for the year. This report provides an overview of the holiday lunch/dinner grants provided by Burnaby-based senior groups, and the process for requesting and approving the grants.

4.0 COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Not applicable.

5.0 FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Grants are funded through the Community Grants Program.

Respectfully submitted,

Juli Halliwell, General Manager Corporate Services

REPORT CONTRIBUTORS

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