

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

BY-LAW NO. 43-2024

Being a by-law to establish a policy for the provision of donations and grants by the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry.

WHEREAS by Section 8 of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides that municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry deems it necessary and prudent to establish a policy for the provision of donations and grants by Council;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enacts as follows:

1. GENERAL

- 1.1. Council may authorize a donation or grant to a community group or initiative at its sole discretion, subject to budgetary constraints.
- 1.2. Council may, at its sole discretion and through approval in the annual municipal budget or at any other time by resolution;
 - a) initiate donations or grants to any group or initiative
 - b) continue to issue donations or grants to any group or initiative on a recurring basis;
 - c) waive the requirement for a complete request submission as detailed below.
- 1.3. The authorization of a grant or donation by Council shall be one time only and does not guarantee, nor shall it be construed to imply, equal or any support in future years.
- 1.4. Where Council chooses to provide any donation or grant on a recurring basis without the need for further applications, notice of such will be issued in writing to the administrator of the community group or initiative.
- 1.5. Donations and grants may include but are not limited to:
 - a) monetary contributions;
 - b) the use of municipal property or facilities at no cost;
 - c) the waiving of fees;
 - d) the support of municipal staff;
 - e) the supply of equipment;
 - f) the supply of materials; or
 - g) any other in kind contribution deemed appropriate by Council.
- 1.6. Not withstanding any provisions of this policy to the contrary, the discretion of Council shall prevail.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. To be eligible for consideration under this policy, applications must broadly conform to the following criteria;
 - a) Shall not be made by a provincial or federal body.
 - b) Shall not be made by a registered political party or affiliate thereof.
 - Shall not be made for an event or initiative already receiving funding, either directly or indirectly, from the municipality.
 - d) Must be made by a group whose primary focus is local, being within the municipality or Huron County.
 - Must be for an event or initiative that preserves, celebrates or raises awareness about the history, and/or past or present culture of the municipality.
 - f) Must be for an event or initiative that celebrates, promotes or contributes to vocational or academic excellence of residents of the municipality.
 - g) Must be for an event or initiative that is unique and does not duplicate the efforts of another event or initiative.

3. DONATION/GRANT REQUEST PROCEDURE

- 3.1. Complete requests for donations or grants must be submitted to the Clerk no later than the last Friday in November for consideration in the following year's budget.
- 3.2. To be considered complete, requests for donations or grants must include:
 - A complete donation/grant application form, attached hereto as Schedule 'A';
 - b) A detailed description of the requesting group and its goals or mandate;
 - c) A detailed description of the initiative or project, including any budgeting information, quotations or estimates;
 - d) An explanation of how the initiative or project will benefit residents of Morris-Turnberry;
 - e) If the project is capital in nature, details of no less than one alternative for the project, should the requesting group not secure sufficient funds for the preferred option.
 - f) An explanation of why any of the above cannot be provided.
- 3.3. Upon receipt, applications shall be assessed for eligibility by the Clerk and Treasurer. Where an application has been deemed ineligible, the applicant shall be informed.

4. FINANCING

- 4.1. Where the donation or grant being requested is monetary in nature and is for capital construction of, or upgrade or repair to a facility that provides demonstrable benefit to residents of Morris-Turnberry, short term financing by the municipality may be authorized by Council in lieu of a donation or grant.
- 4.2. Any amount financed by the Municipality shall be repaid in full over a term to be determined by Council.
- 4.3. The interest rate for any amount financed by the Municipality shall be equal to the interest rate paid by the Municipality.
- 4.4. To be considered complete, requests for financing must include
 - a) A complete donation/grant application form, attached hereto as Schedule 'A'
 - b) A detailed description of the requesting group and its goals

- c) A detailed description of the initiative or project, including any budgeting or quotations for the initiative or project.
- d) An explanation of how the initiative or project will benefit residents of Morris-Turnberry;
- e) Details of no less than one alternative for the project, should the requesting group not secure sufficient funds for the preferred option.
- f) An explanation of why any of the above cannot be provided.

5. REPEAL PREVIOUS BY-LAWS

5.1. By-law 06-2020 and all previous by-laws and policies and parts of by-laws and policies inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law regarding the provision of donations and grants by the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry are hereby repealed.

Read a FIRST and SECOND time this 17th day of September, 2024.

Read a THIRD time and FINALLY PASSED this 17th day of September, 2024.

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam

Schedule A - 43-2024

Donation or Grant Request

Organization Name	
Mailing Address	
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Registered Charita	
Primary Contact	
Name	Telephone
Mailing Address	
Email	
Registered Charita	le Number
Name of the proje	ct or initiative
Description of the	project
Type of assistance	or amount requested
Community bene	it
Other funding so	rces