



## **The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle**

**To:** Mayor and Members of Council

**Prepared by:** Tano Ferraro, Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer

**Department:** Finance

**Date of Report:** January 5, 2023

**Report Number:** FIN-02-2023

**Subject:** Application Based Funding and Grant Update

### **Recommendation**

That the report of the Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer dated January 6, 2023 (FIN-02-2023) regarding Application Based Funding and Grant Update be received for information.

### **Report**

As a municipality, the Town of LaSalle funds operations through various sources of revenue. Property taxation, Water and Wastewater user fees and departmental user fees are the predominant sources of revenue for the Town. Additionally, the Town receives allocation based funding from upper levels of government through programs such as Ontario Communities Infrastructure Fund and the Canada Community Building Fund.

As outlined in the 2023 Budget Presentation, the Town of LaSalle receives significantly less allocation based funding from upper levels of government in comparison to our regional neighbours. In 2022 LaSalle received \$3.25 million of allocation based funding which is 33% less than the average received within the County of Essex.

This reduced level of funding places additional pressure on the Town's tax rate, accordingly administration places a significant effort in identifying and applying to application based grants that are available to the municipality.

Outlined below is a listing of grants the Town has applied for since January 2021 and the outcome of each application including the funding amount awarded.

<b><u>Funding Agency</u></b>	<b><u>Program Name</u></b>	<b><u>Town of LaSalle Project</u></b>	<b><u>Funding Amount Requested</u></b>	<b><u>Outcome</u></b>
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs	Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant	Cenotaph Holiday Lights & Tree Display	\$120,000	Successful
Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC)	Canada Summer Jobs	Recreation and Public Works Department Summer Staff	\$50,510	Successful
Canadian Urban Institute	Healthy Communities Initiative	St. Clair Park Improvements	\$150,000	Unsuccessful
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing	The Municipal Modernization Program Intake 2	Software- Permits/ E-Permitting & Financial Budget Development	\$122,038	Successful
Office of the Fire Marshal	Fire Safety Grant	Firefighter Safety Equipment	\$12,000	Successful
Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries	Reconnect Festival and Event Program	Recreation- New Year's Eve Programming	\$40,000	Successful
FedDevOntario	Canada Community Revitalization Fund	Event Centre	\$750,000	Successful
Infrastructure Canada	Green Infrastructure Stream -2021	Watermains- Bouffard & Reaume	\$2,944,866	Successful
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing	The Municipal Modernization Program Intake 3	Software-Human Resources, Roads, Asset Management Program	\$126,355	Successful
Ontario Trillium Fund	Community Building Fund	Vollmer Recreation Centre Rehabilitation	\$398,200	Successful

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		(HVAC Units, Rink Oil Cooler, Roof)		
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs	Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant	Small Coast Waterfront Public Wi-Fi	\$63,000	Successful
Enbridge	Enbridge Safe Community First Responder Grant	Decontamination Equipment	\$2,500	Successful
Canadian Urban Institute	My Main Street Community Activator	2021 Holiday Lights & Heritage Nights Programming	\$25,000	Successful
Essex Powerlines Corporation	Charge Up Windsor-Essex County	Electric Vehicle Charging Stations-Vollmer & Town Hall	\$40,000	Successful
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Hydro One	Energizing Life Fund	Seniors Programmer Initiative	\$25,000	Unsuccessful
Canadian Urban Institute	My Main Street Community Activator	2022 Holiday Lights & Heritage Nights Programming	\$75,000	Successful
Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries	Reconnect Festival and Event Program	Strawberry Festival	\$54,834	Successful
Employment and Social Development	Canada Summer Jobs	Recreation and Public Works Department Summer Staff	\$84,000	Successful

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Canada (ESDC)				
FedDev Ontario	Tourism Relief Fund	2022 Holiday Lights & Heritage Nights Programming	\$80,000	Not Successful
Infrastructure Canada	Active Transportation Fund	Multi Use Paths 4.2km	\$1,860,000	Not Successful
Enbridge	Enbridge Safe Community First Responder Grant	Training Materials	\$5,000	Successful
Infrastructure Canada	National Infrastructure Fund	Waterfront Park Stormwater retention pond	\$1,000,000	Pending

As outlined within the table the Town of LaSalle has been very successful over the past two years with respect to application based grants, while the Finance department coordinates application based grants, all Town departments work collaboratively on the applications.

## Consultations

Not Applicable

## Financial Implications

Application based grants represent an additional source of revenue/funding for the Town, reducing budget and tax rate pressures.

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**Link to Strategic Goals**

1. Enhancing organizational excellence - Yes
2. Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town - Not Applicable
3. Grow and diversify the local economy - Not Applicable
4. Build on our high-quality of life - Yes
5. Sustaining strong public services and infrastructure - Yes

**Communications**

Not Applicable

**Notifications**

Not Applicable

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



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