



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

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Department: Finance

Date of Report: November 9, 2023

Report Number: FIN-29-2023

Subject: Application Based Funding and Grant Update

Recommendation

That the report of the Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer dated November 9, 2023 (FIN-29-2023) 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 2024 Budget Presentation, the Town of LaSalle receives significantly less allocation-based funding from upper levels of government in comparison to our regional neighbours. In 2023 LaSalle received \$3.15 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. While the Town has been quite successful in its application-based grant initiatives over the past few years, the past year saw a decrease in the number of application-based grants available that met the Town's priorities or planned projects.

Outlined below is a listing of grants the Town has applied for since January 2022 and the outcome of each application including the funding amount awarded.

<u>Funding Agency</u>	<u>Program Name</u>	<u>Town of LaSalle Project</u>	<u>Funding Amount Requested</u>	<u>Outcome</u>
Essex Powerlines Corporation	Charge Up Windsor-Essex County	Electric Vehicle Stations – LaSalle Dog Park & Riverdance Community Centre	\$40,000	Successful
Hydro One	Energizing Life Fund	Seniors Programmer Initiative	\$25,000	Not Successful
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 (ESDC)	Canada Summer Jobs	Recreation and Public Works Department Summer Staff	\$66,855	Successful
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

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Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs	Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant	Event Centre Garden and Landscape	\$42,210	Successful
Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport	Experience Ontario	Event Centre 2024 winter major event	\$125,000	Not Successful
Firehouse Subs	Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada Grant	Paratech Extrication Kit including Stabilization Struts, Airbags & Accessories	\$31,380	Successful
Employment and Social Development Canada	Summer Experience Program/Canada Summer Jobs	Create meaningful summer employment opportunities for students	\$44,060	Successful
Ministry of Solicitor General	CISO	Criminal Intelligence Service	\$8000	Successful
Ministry of Solicitor General	CSP- Community Safety Policing	Traffic Enforcement, Community Outreach	\$224,796	Successful
Ministry of Solicitor General	RIDE	Reduce Impaired Driving	\$12,900	Successful
Ministry of Solicitor General	CSPT	Court Service Prisoner Transport	\$59,655	Successful

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 - Not Applicable
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 - No
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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