

City of Hamilton HAMILTON FUTURE FUND BOARD OF GOVERNORS REVISED

Meeting #: 19-002

Date: June 25, 2019

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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HAMILTON FUTURE FUND BOARD OF GOVERNORS MINUTES 19-001

Tuesday, May 28, 2019 9:00 a.m. Room 264, Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger

Councillors N. Nann and T. Whitehead

T. Weisz (Chair), P. Cherubini, T. Crugnale, G. Davis, M. Dickson, C. Galindo, J. Kirkpatrick, A. Macaluso, S. Macdonald, E. Myrie, and

S. Parsley

Absent

With Regrets: Councillor J. Partridge (Vice-Chair) – City Business

Councillor A. VanderBeek - Personal

A. Frisina

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair (Item 1)

(Dickson/Crugnale)

- (a) That T. Weisz be appointed as Chair of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors for the 2018-2022 Term of Council; and,
- (b) That Councillor J. Partridge be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors for the 2018-2022 Term of Council.

CARRIED

2. Treasurer's Investment Report 2018 Fiscal Year by Aon (FCS19019) (City Wide) (Referred from Audit, Finance and Administration Committee - May 2, 2019) (Item 7.1)

(Whitehead/Crugnale)

That Report FCS19019, respecting the Treasurer's Investment Report 2018 Fiscal

Year by Aon, be received.

CARRIED

3. Hamilton Future Fund Reserve Status and Project Funding as of December 31, 2018 (FCS19044) (Item 7.2)

(Nann/Crugnale)

That Report FCS19044, respecting Hamilton Future Fund Reserve Status and Project Funding as of December 31, 2018, be received.

CARRIED

4. Deliberations on the Grant Applications received for the November 1, 2018 - January 14, 2019 Opening of the Hamilton Future Fund (Item 10.1)

(Macaluso/Whitehead)

- (a) That staff be directed to invite the following grant applicants and appropriate City Staff to a future meeting of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors to make a presentation:
 - (i) 91st Highlanders Athletic Association (Item 10.1.a)
 - (ii) Ancaster Tennis Club (Item 10.1.d)
- (b) That staff be directed to invite the following grant applicants to a future meeting of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors to make a presentation:
 - (i) Beach Canal Lighthouse Group (Item 10.1.f)
 - (ii) Hamilton Malayalee Samajam (Item 10.1.q)
 - (iii) North Hamilton Community Health Centre (Item 10.1.ab)
- (c) That the following Hamilton Future Fund grant applications be denied:
 - (i) Ancaster Agricultural Society (Item 10.1.b)
 - (ii) Ancaster Soccer Club (Item 10.1.c)
 - (iii) Bay Area Restoration Council (Item 10.1.e)
 - (iv) Beautiful Alleys (Item 10.1.g)
 - (v) Big Brothers Big Sisters of Halton and Hamilton (Item 10.1.h)
 - (vi) Binbrook Agricultural Society (Item 10.1.i)
 - (vii) City School by Mohawk (Item 10.1.j)
 - (viii) Croatian Sports and Community Centre of Hamilton (Item 10.1.k)
 - (ix) Eva Rothwell Centre (Item 10.1.I)
 - (x) Habitat for Humanity Hamilton (Item 10.1.m)
 - (xi) Hamilton Chamber of Commerce (Item 10.1.n)
 - (xii) Hamilton Jr. Bulldogs (Item 10.1.p)
 - (xiii) Hamilton Music Collective (Item 10.1.r)
 - (xiv) Hamilton Naturalists' Club (Item 10.1.s)

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- (xv) Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra (Item 10.1.t)
- (xvi) Hamilton Public Library (Item 10.1.u)
- (xvii) I Am Awear (Item 10.1.v)
- (xviii) March of Dimes Canada (Item 10.1.x)
- (xix) Mathstronauts (Item 10.1.z)
- (xx) North End Breezes (Item 10.1.aa)
- (xxi) St. Matthew's House (Item 10.1.ac)
- (xxii) The Apostolic Holiness Church (Item 10.1.ad)
- (xxiii) The Salvation Army Lawson Ministries Hamilton (Item 10.1.ae)
- (xxiv) Wellwood (Item 10.1.af)
- (xxv) YMCA (Item 10.1.ag)
- (xxvi) YWCA (Item 10.1.ah)
- (d) That the grant application from the Hamilton Conservation Foundation (Item 10.1.o) for the construction of a Canal Park Viewing Platform in the amount of \$100,000 be approved;
- (e) That the grant application from Living Rock (Item 10.1.w) for kitchen improvements in the amount of \$34,182 be approved; and,
- (f) That the grant application from Margaret's Place Hospice (Item 10.1.y) for the construction of the main dining/lounge common area in a residential hospice in the amount of \$250,000 be approved.

CARRIED

5. Citizen Resignation from the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors (Item 11.1)

(Kirkpatrick/Davis)

- (a) That the resignation of Marie Scime from the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors, be received; and.
- (b) That the Selection Committee be requested to fill the citizen appointee vacancy on the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

(Dickson/Crugnale)

That the agenda for the May 28, 2019 meeting of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

- P. Cherubini declared an interest to Item 10.1.j, respecting the grant application from City School by Mohawk, as he is a retired employee from Mohawk College.
- J. Kirkpatrick declared an interest to Item 10.1.u, respecting the grant application from the Hamilton Public Library, as he is a Hamilton Library Board Member.
- A. Macaluso declared an interest to Item 10.1.n, respecting the grant application from the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, as he has a relative who is a Hamilton Chamber of Commerce Board Member.
- S. Macdonald declared an interest to Item 10.1.ah, respecting the grant application from the YWCA, as she has a professional relationship with the YWCA.
- S. Parsley declared an interest to Item 10.1.ac, respecting the grant application from St. Matthew's House, as she has a professional relationship with St. Matthew's House

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) January 24, 2018 (Item 4.1)

(Davis/Kirkpatrick)

That the Minutes of the January 24, 2018 meeting of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(i) Shekar Chandrashekar, respecting Future Fund "A" (for a future meeting) (Item 6.1)

(Nann/Crugnale)

That the delegation request, submitted by Shekar Chandrashekar, respecting Future Fund "A", be approved for a future meeting.

CARRIED

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)

(i) Media Best Practices (Item 9.1)

Jacqueline Durlov, Communications Officer, and Jen Recine, Manager Communications, addressed the Committee respecting Media Best Practices, with the aid of a presentation.

(Macaluso/Parsley)

That the presentation, respecting Media Best Practices, be received.

CARRIED

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(i) Deliberations on the Grant Applications received for the November 1, 2018 - January 14, 2019 Opening of the Hamilton Future Fund (Item 10.1)

Chair Weisz provided an overview of the available funds, the general grant application approval process, and the Mission Statement and Guiding Principles of the Fund.

The Board used this time to review the following applications received for the November 1, 2018 - January 14, 2019 opening of the Hamilton Future Fund:

- (a) 91st Highlanders Athletic Association
- (b) Ancaster Agricultural Society
- (c) Ancaster Soccer Club
- (d) Ancaster Tennis Club
- (e) Bay Area Restoration Council
- (f) Beach Canal Lighthouse Group
- (g) Beautiful Alleys
- (h) Big Brothers Big Sisters of Halton and Hamilton
- (i) Binbrook Agricultural Society
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- (ad) The Apostolic Holiness Church
- (ae) The Salvation Army Lawson Ministries Hamilton
- (af) Wellwood
- (ag) YMCA
- (ah) YWCA

For further disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 4.

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Whitehead/Eisenberger)

That there being no further business, the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors be adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Weisz, Chair Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors

Alicia Davenport Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk



HAMILTON FUTURE FUND APPLICATION

91st Highlanders Athletic Association

Ray Lewis Track & Field Centre
Mohawk Sports Park
Phase 3
Renewal Project



Ray Lewis Track & Field Centre

Project Timeline

PHASE 2 PHASE 2 2018 PHASE 3 2020

Ray Lewis Track & Field Centre

Phase 3 – Scope of work





Spectator Bleacher Seating

Outdoor Gazebo Structure

Ray Lewis Track & Field Centre

Phase 3 – Funding Model

Hamilton Future Fund Grant Ontario Trillium Foundation Capital Grant

Government of Canada Enabling Accessibility Grant

Jumpstart Foundation Enabling Accessibility Grant

Application Date

2019

Amount: \$150,000

Application Date

June 2019

\$150,000

Application Date

July 2019

\$100,000

Application Date

February 2019

Amount: \$50,000







Thank you Mr. Chairman for the opportunity to address you and the Board.

My name is Mathieu Koevoets and I am the President of the Ancaster Tennis Club and we are here to ask you for help in establishing a winter tennis facility in Village Green Park on the existing five tennis courts.

The Ancaster Tennis Club has been in operation since the early 1930's and it was incorporated 7 years ago as a <u>not-for-profit community entity</u>. We had a membership last year of 580 of which 32% are Juniors (18 and under).

A large portion, namely <u>24.6%</u> of the membership, do not reside in Ancaster. These members live in Waterdown, Dundas, Mount Hope, Flamborough and the West Mountain and a few outside the Greater Hamilton Area.

I will not only be speaking on behalf of our members, but also for tennis players who are members of other local tennis clubs living across the whole western portion of the City, including Flamborough, Dundas, Waterdown, Greensville and not just Ancaster.

Our goal is to have an air-supported structure (Dome/Bubble) installed during the Winter over the 5 existing tennis courts in Village Green Park behind the Ancaster Library. We started to work on this in 2016, completing our first business plan, detailed cost estimates and our first meeting with Councillor Lloyd Ferguson. The basics that are involved in installing a Dome are: upgraded utility services, a large concrete foundation (grade beam), an inflation and heating system as well as the inflated membrane that form the structure itself.

The overall objective of the Club is to provide all community members the opportunity to participate in recreational and competitive tennis, and to promote fellowship, exercise, friendship and fair play. The Club will offer programs of instruction and development for players of all levels and ages, including the underprivileged (e.g. Hamilton CityKidz) and those with physical disabilities. The Tennis Dome will make available 13,800 court hours every winter the equivalent of over 30,000-person hours of physical activity

We are confident that once up and running the Winter facility will be self funding. We are mainly looking for some help to get started and to keep our loans to a minimum.

As tennis grows in Canada, the use of Domes/Bubbles over Municipally owned lands makes all the economic sense as the needs for exercise and to develop our junior players are 12 month a year requirements, and we must provide the most economical means possible to fill the need locally.



There are only 6 indoor courts in the Greater Hamilton Area, 2 of which are at the former Lada Tennis School in Ancaster (private) and 4 at the Rosedale Tennis Club in Gage Park. As I am sure you know the Rosedale club operates in a very similar way to Ancaster. The Lada Tennis School was last year purchased by Burlington Fitness and Racquets.

So, the Greater Hamilton Area with a population of 550,000 has 6 indoor tennis courts. In contrast to those numbers our neighbour, the City of Burlington with a population of 195,000, has, we believe, at least 18 indoor courts.

Before the closing of the 4 indoor courts at the Jewish Community Centre (JCC), there were 10 indoor courts in Hamilton. Since this closure there has been an increase in demand which has swamped the Rosedale Tennis Club and Aldershot Tennis Club.

So, this is the right time to install a Dome in Ancaster. We receive almost daily inquiries from Hamilton area citizens, who play at other summer clubs, asking when the Dome will be ready for playing tennis.

The Outdoor Recreation Facilities & Sports Field Provision Plan states: The City should work with the Ancaster Tennis Club in order to identify funding, operational, and other arrangements specific to their proposals for investments on municipal lands (Village Green Park).

City staff retained a local Architect to submit a feasibility report and this report also indicates that the City lacks indoor tennis facilities.

Over the last 3 years we have seen a significant increase in our family memberships with a corresponding increase in our Junior category. Confirming our belief that we ought to provide a winter facility as soon as possible.

Based on our in-club survey and response to our loan program we are confident that a winter facility at the Ancaster Tennis Club would have great starting base of at least 300 playing members, which is enough to make the club financially self sustaining. Right from the start the new Dome will be a major draw to all tennis players in this area. It is estimated that we will grow, over the first 3 years to 500 winter members, which would essentially fill the club. Growth will come quickly from new tennis players, and existing players from other local summer clubs who will appreciate our "friendly" atmosphere, our pricing, new facilities and first-class lighting.

A detailed Business Plan for the Dome project was prepared by two of our members, a retired Business Professor and a Charted Accountant.



It was decided that our approach will likely have to be a 10 year lease to purchase agreement for the removable portions of the Dome for 10 years. As you probably saw in our applications this will be more costly than outright purchase by over \$300,000 because of the high interest rates on the leasing.

Our work has estimated that our total up-front start-up project cost, including a 15% contingency, is \$587,650. This amount also includes Consulting fees and the payment for non-recoverable lease items.

Last Fall, we applied for an Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) grant in the amount of \$150,000. The decision was delayed due to Provincial Budget discussions and when we received the decision in the Spring of this year, the Grant office commented that our application lacked some statistical information. Our application was declined; and the Grant office indicated that their budget had been reduced by \$15 million.

We have re-applied and the application was sent before the application deadline of June 12, 2019.

We initiated a Fundraiser/Temporary loan program, whereby a member or non-member can loan the Club \$2000. As an incentive they will receive several free summer memberships, and we received \$100,000 in post dated cheques.

As indicated in our detailed submission to the Board of Governors, we are asking from the Hamilton Future Fund a grant in the amount of \$205,911.

Thank you Mr. Chairman

Cc. Three Power Point slides.



Ancaster Tennis Club Inc. Proposed Dome

Total Project Cost Comparison

<u>Purchase Dome οι</u>	<u>ıt-right</u>	Leasing Dome for 10 years		
 Studies and fees 	\$55,775	 Studies and Fees 	\$55,775	
Site servicing	\$54,625	 Site servicing 	\$54,625	
 Foundation construction 	\$258,750	 Foundation construction 	\$258,750	
 Connection clubhouse/Dome 	\$11,500	 Connection clubhouse/Dome 	\$11,500	
 Purchase of Dome 		 Pre-lease payments 	\$207,000	
Including LED lights	<u>\$465,261</u>	Sub-total:	\$587,650	
Total:	\$845,911	Ten year leasing cost Dome/11%	\$600,000	
		Total:	51,187,650	

Difference: \$341,739

Funding

<u>For Dome Purchase</u>					For Leasing Dome			
•	 Total project cost 			\$845,911	 Total project cost: 		1,187,650	
•	• Less: ATC cash on hand: \$100,000				• Less: ATC cash on hand:	\$100,000		
	Loan from 50 members: \$100,000				Loan from 50 members:	\$100,000		
	City loan:		\$290,000		City loan:	<u>\$290,000</u>		
		Sub-total:	\$490,000	\$490,000	Sub-total:	\$490,000	<u>\$490,000</u>	
					Shortfall:		\$697,650	
		Shortfall:		\$355,911	Trillium Grant:		\$150,000	
	Trillium Grant:			\$150,000	Future Fund:		\$205,911	
Future Fund:			:	<u>\$205,911</u>	* Court fees and increase	d memberships	s <u>\$341,739</u> *	
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Beach Canal Lighthouse Proposal

Beach Canal Lighthouse Group (BCLG)







Our Lighthouse

- 160 years old
- Historic significance in the development and economy of Hamilton's industries including shipping
- Icon of the beach strip

Status

- Federally owned lighthouses across the country (costal and inland) are being transferred to municipal and/or non profit groups
- Most need extensive repairs to stop "demolition by neglect" and updates to provide public access to show the historical significance
- Feds will transfer assets to groups that show sustainable plans with capacity to execute

BCLG Long Term vision

- Lighthouse will become another link of attractions along the Burlington to Hamilton beach strip
 - Beach Trail
 - Brant Museum
 - Lighthouse/Keeper's house
 - Fisherman's Pier
 - Lakeland pool
 - Confederation park
 - Steam Museum
- Lighthouse/Keeper's house planned phases:
 - 1. Restoration of lighthouse and Keeper's house
 - 2. Interpretive Centre
 - Marine Museum

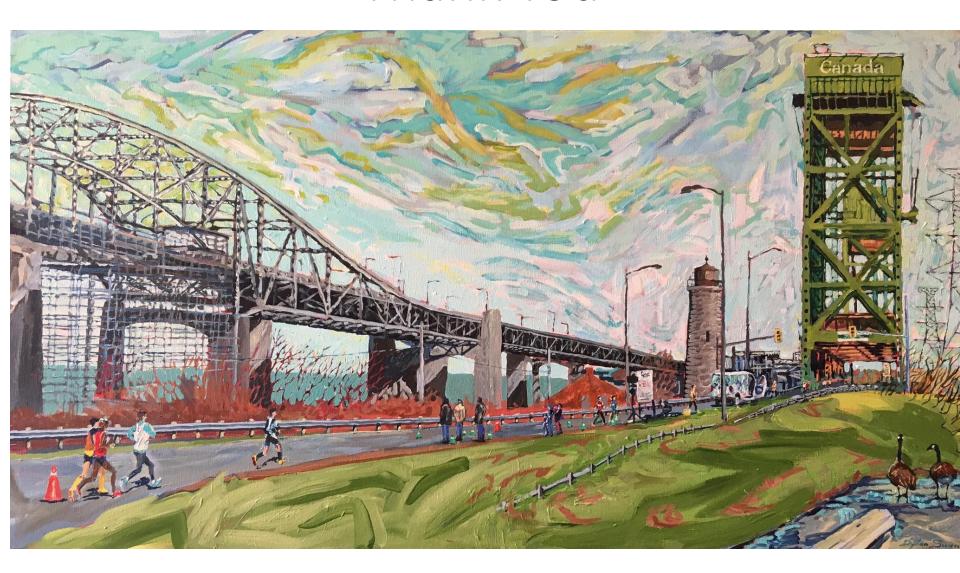
Players

- Federal Oceans and Fisheries
 - Current Owners of lighthouse and keeper's house
- Public Works Canada
 - Current Owners of the land
- Hamilton Port Authority
- City of Hamilton Heritage department
- Councillor Chad Collins
- Beach Canal Lighthouse Group (BCLG)
 - Non-profit, charitable organization
 - Run by volunteers
 - Would be custodians and operator of the assets

Actions Plans

- BCLG
 - Have become a Non-Profit organization
 - In process of becoming charitable organization
- Hamilton Port Authority (HPA) partnership
 - Have agreed to partner with BCLG
 - Ties in with their long term plans of existing neighbouring assets
 - Agreed to have properties and buildings transferred to their organization
 - Agreed to back-stop and maintain structures to their current condition
 - Meeting with Public Works and Oceans Fisheries to transfer assets
- Councillor Collins
 - Seed funding for preliminary engineering assessment and scope of work
- Hamilton Future Fund
 - Conduct initial restoration of buildings
- Fundraising
 - Leverage Hamilton Future Funds to obtain further funds from:
 - Canada Public works
 - Private and Industry donations

Thank You







Cricket Field Renovation Project ~Hamilton Malayalee Samajam~ www.hmsnet.org

Who We Are

- Not-for-profit cultural organization established in 1986
- > Serve the people in the Greater Hamilton area.
- Enrich Canadian culture by contributing and preserving Malayalee culture
- We organize various cultural and sports events throughout the year
- We have special focus on seniors, new immigrants, and children

HMS Community Centre

- Purchased in 2003
- > 15,000 sq.ft. indoor space with 6 acres of land in Glanbrook
- Fully paid off with the help of donations from community members
- Facility has 120 parking spots and sports field



Why Cricket?

- Cricket 2nd most popular game in the world: 2.5 billion followers
- In Canada 7th most popular game
- Currently there are 450 schools in GTA and Hamilton playing cricket.
- Exponential growth in people playing cricket in Hamilton
- Significant shortage of cricket fields in Hamilton - City of Hamilton - Outdoor Recreation Facilities & Sports Field Provision Plan PHASE I & II REPORTS -November 2011



Our Plan - Field Renovation



- Current field can be easily converted into a professional Cricket field
- Current space is uneven and can cause injury
- Lack of a proper pitch

Our Advantages:



Ladies Wash room access from outside



Gents Washroom access from outside



BBQ Area



Fully covered scoring pavilion



Ample parking spots

Our Experience in Project Management

- Successfully runs City's bingo event for last 18 years
- Received and successfully completed 6 New Horizons for Seniors projects worth of \$125,000
- Successfully completed 4 Enabling Accessibility projects worth of \$320,000
- Attracted various corporate and private sponsorship for infrastructural projects worth more than \$200,000

Who Will Benefit?

- This field will be available for rent from June till September every year for:
 - Cricket clubs and schools in Greater Hamilton
 - Cricket tournaments we organize one event per year usually in July
 - Cricket leagues
 - Booking can be managed through our website or city's booking program
 - Several cricket clubs and leagues have already expressed interest

Return on Investment

- > Long term investment
- Best suited as a legacy project as per future fund grant criteria
- Adds one more professional cricket field to the City of Hamilton
- > Community members will be more attracted to this sport

Ideal Partnership







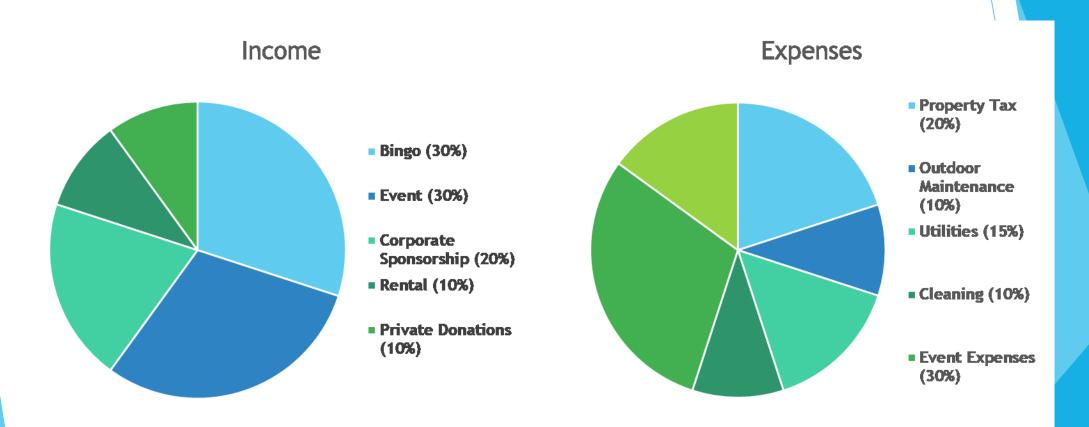
Infrastructure Support

Ongoing management and maintenance

Our Organizational Capacity

- Board of Directors 3 Year term
- Property Management Committee 3 Year term
- Executive Committee 1 Year term

Financials



Support and Endorsements



Hon. David Sweet MP



Hon. Brenda Johnson Hon. Donna Skelly MPP Ward 11 Councilor



Hon. Filomena Tassi Minister for Seniors



Hamilton Cricket Club

Hamilton and District Cricket League

Hamilton Cricket Club

Summary

- City of Hamilton can add one more professional cricket field with minimum investment.
- > This facility will be open to the public for rent
- Hamilton Malayalee Samajam is responsible for ongoing management and maintenance.

Questions?



Yes We Can!

An intergenerational youth mentorship program





Rationale for need

- 21% of Hamilton youth live below poverty line
- Youth unemployment rate twice as high as city rate
- Best practice to address youth employment needs:
 - Life skills development, group work, experience, incentives, social supports
- Social isolation amongst seniors
 - Social integration, participation healthy aging
- 3.7 million tonnes of food waste
 - 60% recoverable





Program details

- 10-week intergenerational mentorship program
- Empower youth with employment skills
 - Basic business skills
- Reduce food waste
 - Preservation of goods
 - Education of general public
- Community Engagement
 - Social enterprise
 - Volunteerism





Program Impact

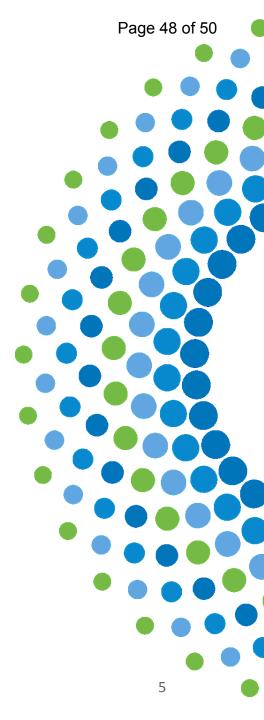
- Improve community's economic prosperity
 - Youth employability skills
- Permanent community benefit
 - Food waste education and awareness
- Project is self-sustaining
 - Social enterprise
- Enhance community's social fabric
 - Intergenerational collaboration





Thank you!

Questions?





Additional Slides – Revenue Model

Expenses	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Raw material	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Operating expenses	\$ 6,780.00	\$ 6,780.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Equipment and				
Supplies	\$ 2,053.91	\$ 746.00	\$ 820.60	\$ 902.66
Total Expenses	\$ 8,833.91	\$ 7,526.00	\$ 2,320.60	\$ 2,402.66
Projected Revenue				
Sales (units)	150	300	500	750
Average price per unit	\$ 5.50	\$ 5.50	\$ 5.50	\$ 5.50
Revenue	\$ 825.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 4,125.00
Net Profits (losses)	-\$ 8,008.91	-\$ 5,876.00	\$ 429.40	\$ 1,722.34



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Rationale for need:

- Ontario generates 3.7 million tonnes of food and organic waste annually
- 60% of the wasted food could have been eaten or repurposed but was sent to landfills
- In Hamilton, 21% of all youth residing in Hamilton lived below the poverty line
- Youth unemployment rate in Hamilton is twice as high as the city unemployment rate
- SPRC suggests best practices for responding to youth employment needs include programs that offer life skills development, group work, meaningful opportunities to experience work, graduating to different stages of success, incentives and an opportunity to build social supports
- Social isolation and the financial stresses of living alone have been linked to worse health outcomes in seniors, including fractures and institutionalization

Program details

- 10-week program starting in the spring and ending in late summer.
- Each session will engage three youth apprentices with at-risk seniors
- Participants move throughout the stages of production of preserved food goods

Project impact

- Youth gain experience in managing a business operation, with weekly key learning objectives that will help youth learn business and management skills, while working in collaboration with senior community members.
- Engaging both youth and isolated seniors in the community will serve to enhance community life and strengthen the community's social fabric.
- As older adults interact in a social setting with youth and collaborate to create a social change will create new relationships and present a unified front within the Hamilton community.