

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Emergency & Community Services: August 10, 2016

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR FARR.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR .....**

### **Supportive Funding of Beasley Youth Asset Development Initiative**

WHEREAS, City Council has made a concerted effort to focus on initiatives to help improve the lives of youth and prepare them for success in the future; and

WHEREAS, the John Howard Society of Ontario works with at risk individuals and is committed to providing a continuum of prevention and intervention services supporting individuals and families to develop the skills and assets necessary to make positive and long lasting life changes, thus enabling them to become fully contributing members of the community; and

WHEREAS, the John Howard Society of Hamilton, Burlington & Area developed the Beasley Youth Asset Development Initiative as a community project that works with all of Beasley's resources including community groups, schools, businesses, agencies and faith organizations to increase the developmental assets of children and youth in this neighbourhood; and

WHEREAS, all 11 of the Neighbourhood Action Plans developed through the Neighbourhood Action Strategy have consistently identified the availability of community services, developing educational opportunities, employment preparedness training and employment opportunities for youth as priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Beasley Neighbourhood Action Plan specifically speaks to creating a Youth Neighbourhood Association, promoting creativity, academic opportunities, language skills opportunities, current job skill opportunities within Beasley for youth;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

That City Council support the John Howard Society of Hamilton, Burlington & Area and the Beasley Youth Asset Development Initiative by the provision of \$10,000 in funding, (\$5,000 in 2016 and \$5,000 in 2017) from the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Fund under Project id# 2051255204.