

# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Agricultural Society

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

**FUNDING STREAM:** Programs and Events

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 175th Ancaster Fair

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$35,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,089,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$33,520** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** As a registered not-for-profit charitable organization, the Ancaster Agricultural Society (AAS) has had deep roots in Ancaster since it began in 1850 with the first Ancaster Fair 174 years ago. Each year, the Fair welcomes 50,000+ visitors of all ages and from all walks of life Agriculture Education for all ages is our primary focus



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Binbrook Agricultural Society** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Binbrook Fair 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$333,150 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$28,731 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Binbrook Fair is a three day local event that will showcase a range of family-friendly events and traditional fair activities. This year's fair will feature popular attractions like the demolition derby, the Dodge RAM rodeo and kids entertainment. Livestock events include horse shows, cattle competitions, and sheep and goat exhibitions, which are longstanding highlights of the fair's agricultural focus.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Rockton Agricultural Society** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Rockton World's Fair 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$35,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$368,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$33,520 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Fair is a 4-day Thanksgiving tradition that welcomes rural & urban patrons to experience rural living and participate in various agricultural themed educational activities such as homecraft, food preservation, grains, crops, blacksmithing, dairy milking and livestock. Youth are a key component for the Fair featuring students in our agricultural competitions, including young farmers showcasing livestock, grains, crops and equine.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Farmers Market

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Ancaster Farmers Market

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$34,400

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,863** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Ancaster Farmers' Market (AFM) offers seasonal, fresh, locally grown produce and food products in an enjoyable atmosphere that highlights local talent for the benefit of the City of Hamilton, and more specifically the Ancaster community. The Market provides educational programs for youth, as well as informal, mentor-like relationships between vendors themselves and vendors and patrons.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Board of Management of the Stoney Creek BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Market in the Creek 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$35,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,500 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** farmer market Wednesdays 4-7pm June - October outdoor local farmers and local food artisans from the area as vendors - mostly from Hamilton live music weekly from a local artists create a community hub for urban and rural Hamiltonians to exchange thoughts, have conversations, learn about local agriculture, locally grown food, and healthy food and nutrition

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Market in the Creek. Funds are being held pending the submission of Final Report/additional information.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Golden Horseshoe Beekeepers' Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: GHBA Public Education Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$1,100 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$2,950 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,100 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The GHBA provides beekeepers with the best hive management practices on sustainable beekeeping. Information is passed on to members via monthly meetings and 1:1 mentorship opportunities for new beekeepers. The GHBA also informs the public about the importance of bees, as well as the threats bees face in our modern society during events such as the Ancaster fair.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton-Wentworth 4-H Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 4-H Agriculture 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$6,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23,150 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** 4-H is a program for youth 9 to 21 years of age that provides "hands on" learning experiences in Agricultural and Life Skills projects. It provides opportunities for youth to attend local, provincial, national, and international events and helps prepare them for their future endeavors.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: Cloverbud program for 6 to 9 year old members, Youth: All youth between ages 9 to 21, Rural and remote communities



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Locke Street Farmers' Market

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Programming 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$2,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,695 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,854 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Locke Street Farmers' Market provides a venue for farmers and food vendors to offer locally and sustainably grown produce and prepared foods every Saturday of the season. The market aims to provide a community space for families and friends to socialize, shop for groceries and enjoy the market's programming including scheduled story times, art making, and musical performances.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Southwentworth Plowmen's Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

**FUNDING STREAM:** Programs and Events

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Southwentworth Plowmen's Association Annual Plowing Match

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$1,600

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$4,725

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,575

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Southwentworth Plowing Association holds an annual plowing match each year. The focus is to showcase traditional plowing including horse plow teams, antique plows/tractors as well as modern machinery. The match strives to raise public awareness about traditional practice of tilling land, how the practice is used to prepare for planting crops, an essential step towards growing the food we eat.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**TEAD Therapeutic Riding Centre** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

**FUNDING STREAM:** Programs and Events

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Horses and Harvest Festival

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$9,234

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$10,984

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,725** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** TEAD will host the second annual Horses and Harvest Festival during Agricultural Week in October 2025. This free event will provide an opportunity for the community to visit a working farm and learn about horses' role in agriculture and where our food comes from

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities, Children: 0-17, Youth: 18-25



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Westdale Village BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

**FUNDING STREAM:** Programs and Events

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Westdale Farmers' Market

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$28,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** farmers market in Westdale Village on Tuesdays 4-7pm running through 3 seaons of harvesting. local farmers and artisans

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of Westdale Farmer's Market. Funds are being held pending the submission of Final Report/additional information.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ancaster Horticultural Society** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** To beautify Ancaster and educate its residents on horticultural and ecological topics

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$2,440

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$18,038

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,440

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** All of the programs are available at the Ancaster Old Town Hall and free of any admission charges. And the public gardens are mostly at the Fieldcote Memorial Gardens. Secondarily, we maintain portions of three public parks at the Millennium Peace Park, Brandon Park and the Town Square.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: teenagers, Older adults/ Seniors: between 45 and 70 year olds



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Farm Crawls of Ontario

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Farm Crawl Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$8,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,850

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,500

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Farm Crawl is a program whereby participating local Hamilton Farms open to the public to encourage agritourism and a heightened sense of where food comes from and the importance of local agriculture.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Wentworth Soil and Crop Improvement Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

**FUNDING STREAM:** Programs and Events

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Improving Soil Health in Hamilton Agriculture

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$3,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$15,650

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,700

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton-Wentworth SCIA will build upon successful past years initiatives and projects that educate consumers about agricultural production and educate farmers about innovative production practices. This is achieved through in-field projects, tours and technical meetings that demonstrate and promote soil health and best management practices, while connecting consumers to agriculture production.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wentworth District Women's Institute

FUNDING PROGRAM: Agriculture

FUNDING STREAM: Programs and Events

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Scholarship Program, ROSE Awards (Reaching Out and Sharing (Information) Education

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,610

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,745

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** To provide educational assistance to our youth that are enrolled in University Programs geared to the betterment of the community. Providing educational information on services available to those in need within the community.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the 4H Scholarship, Rose & Outreach Programs. Funds are being held pending the submission of Final Report/additional information.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Art Gallery of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Annual operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$1,000,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,119,600 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,000,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The AGH is the oldest and largest public art gallery in southwestern Ontario. Its permanent collection of 10,000+ works includes historical International, Canadian, Indigenous and contemporary art. The AGH enables people of all ages to engage with outstanding exhibitions, programs, and diverse activities. The AGH's vision for 2023-2027 is "Inspire, connect, and strengthen communities through ART.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Brott Music Festival

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts -- Operations Stream 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$275,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,877,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$199,900 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Brott Music Festival (BMF) enriches Hamilton's cultural landscape through world-class music performances, educational programs for children and community outreach, particularly in the summer months. BMF provides affordable access to its concerts, fosters young talent and engages the minds of schoolchildren. BMF strengthens Hamilton's arts sector locally and reputation nationwide. This enhances community well-being, economy and sense of pride.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Brott Music Festival's Arts Operating application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Capacity Building application.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Carnegie Gallery** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Carnegie Gallery Arts Operating 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$417,715 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$17,690 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Gallery promotes the appreciation and production of Canadian visual art and fine craft. Annually we organize 12-24 curated exhibitions featuring regional artists. We sell Artist Members' works year-round in the Gallery Shop and a new online store to be launched in January 2025. We engage the community through monthly exhibitions, public lectures, children's classes, workshops, partnership programs, and fundraisers.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Centre[3] for Artistic and Social Practice

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Centre[3] Programs 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$70,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,092,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$61,800 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Committed to championing artists and fostering inclusivity, we empower artists with cutting-edge spaces for creation, showcasing, and sharing. Our dedication extends to the community through free admission, artist talks, and an innovative youth education and employment program, as well as collaboration with McMaster University focused on art-based research. We aim to catalyze artistic expression and robust community engagement.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Youth: Centre[3] has two programs for youth: [Nu]Steel is an Alternative Education Program with the HWDSB; and Digital Pipeline [4] Youth is an employment program centred in the arts, Older adults/ Seniors: Centre[3]'s older adult program is called Seniors Art Link which offers in-person and virtual programming. Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees: Other underserved people or communities: Centre[3] works with a lot of people who identify as marginalized.

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Centre [3] for Artistic and Social Practice's Arts Operating application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Emerging Arts Festival application.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Factory Media Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Annual Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$45,600 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$163,819 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$35,535 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Factory Media Centre has operated for two decades as the premier artist-run centre and gallery in Hamilton for artists working in boundary breaking and experimental time-based media. Our programming and educational opportunities are focused on facilitating the understanding and appreciation of independent film, video, sound art, and new media. Since 2004, FMC has been an invaluable resource for Hamilton artists.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

gritLIT

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: gritLIT Festival and Programs 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$137,050 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$17,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** gritLIT is Hamilton's literary festival and yearround literary platform. Our annual festival welcomes audiences of 1000+ to readings, panels, workshops, youth events and interactive programming, while our growing yearround events celebrate writing and reading with partners from around the city, gritLIT brings together diverse communities for engaging literary experiences, increasing the profile of both Canadian writers and local Hamilton authors.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of gritLIT. Funds are being held pending the submission of Final Report/additional information.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Artists Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$65,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$308,939 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$61,200 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Artists Inc. is a nationally-recognized, leading artist-run centre committed to the presentation of contemporary art and related cultural practices. We empower Hamilton artists through professional, paid opportunities and bring cutting-edge, experimental art by national and international artists to our local audiences. Our free exhibitions and events promote critical inquiry, creative exploration, and community engagement through diverse voices and perspectives.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Arts Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Arts Council Operating 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$120,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$457,313 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$72,194 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Arts Council (HAC) supports engagement with artistic and cultural practices across the Greater Hamilton Area. Through initiatives and targeted resources, HAC empowers artists and organizations, improves access to creative programming, and advocates for the arts as essential to inclusive and connected communities, strengthening Hamilton's cultural landscape while fostering professional growth and community participation.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Arts Council's Arts Operating application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Emerging Arts Festival application.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Children's Choir

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Children's Choir 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$60,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$573,854 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$52,265 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Children's Choir is a renowned choir for children and youth, known for its artistic excellence and inclusive approach. For over 50 years, HCC has inspired young voices through local and international performances, offering accessible music programs that bring together children from diverse backgrounds to celebrate the power and joy of choral singing.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 18 months to 18 years, Youth:18 months to 18 years, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Festival Theatre Company

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HFTco / Hamilton Fringe Annual Programming

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$110,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$621,150

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$60,000

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** As a local performing arts sector leader, HFTco showcases Hamilton's performing arts community by supporting a diverse range of artists, works, and spaces that are inclusive, accessible, entertaining and innovative. HFTco produces the flagship Hamilton Fringe Festival, Artist Development programming (Stage Directions, ALERT, Spark, Kids Club, etc), the winter Frost Bites festival, and other year-round community events, workshops, and programming.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Music Collective

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: An Instrument for Every Child 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$125,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$796,800 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$75,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Since 2008 HMC has been dedicated to supporting Hamilton's economic and cultural growth by providing barrier-free, accessible music-based educational and performance opportunities. Believing in the transformational power of music to enrich lives and empower youth the HMC continues to deliver their most celebrated program AIFEC and innovate in the development of advanced youth-music-programs, professional live-performances, musical events, workshops, and exhibits.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: all youth, Youth: all youth,Older adults/ Seniors: all interested in music, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Francophone



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Operating

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Arts Operating for Established Professional Organizations

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$300,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$2,384,450

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$216,300

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** As the city's professional orchestra, the HPO serves the region through live/online musical performances. Programs include; symphony concerts, youth orchestra program, 60+ community-based partner programs designed to meet the needs of diverse communities. Partner programs; Music education performances, talks in schools. Libraries. Musical events for children, youth and seniors; chamber music concerts in diverse neighbourhoods, lifelong learning and wellbeing events.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Youth Steel Orchestra (HYSO)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HYSO 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$49,466 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$13,442 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** HYSO offers weekly instructions in steelpan playing techniques, basic music education and opportunities to participate in and contribute to the city's music scene through performances at civic events. Instructions are instructor-led and provided in a group format. Players are assigned to a group based on skill level. No prior music experience required to participate in this program

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: From underserved neighbourhoods, Youth: From underserved neighbourhoods, Older adults/ Seniors: Coping with Social isolation, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Other underserved people or communities



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Open Heart Arts Theatre** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,995 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$172,229 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$22,596 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Open Heart is a community-engaged arts company, providing opportunities for artists, audiences, and the community at large to make meaningful connections. In 2025, we will offer ongoing community-engagement focused art workshops, our Artist-in-Residence program, continue script development of The Lake Effect, and increase our organizational capacity and efficacy by rolling out the Open Heart artist handbook

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Other underserved people or communities: Keith Neighbourhood



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Supercrawl Productions

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Supercrawl Festival and Year-Round Programming 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$300,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,288,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$154,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Supercrawl Productions is a not-for-profit organization that presents the award-winning Supercrawl street festival on James Street North in Hamilton every September, and hosts ticketed events and cultural initiatives year-round. The free, three-day multidisciplinary arts festival features a wide variety of discovery programming including music, art installations, fashion, dance, theatre, spoken word and authors, family programming, craft vendors and food trucks.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Supercrawl Production's Arts Operating application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Capacity Building application.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Telling Tales** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Operating

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The 17th Annual Telling Tales Season

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$115,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$787,806

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$52,670

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Telling Tales inspires a love of reading by connecting Canada's leading children's and YA literary artists with young audiences In 2025, we will deliver live-streamed author visits in collaboration with HWDSB and HWCDSB and three national broadcasts. In-person programming will continue through partnerships with Hamilton's cultural and service organizations and through the 17th Annual Telling Tales Festival at Hendrie Park

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 0-12, Youth: 12-18



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Westdale

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The Westdale 2025 to 2028 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$80,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,053,730 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$36,640 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Westdale, as Hamilton's premier independent arts venue and cinema, provides an intimate, heritage-designated cultural space for performances, exhibitions, and film screenings, showcasing independent, local and world content We present the arts in our community 364 days a year through cinema, music, comedy, talk, and exhibitions. We also provide space and support for our community to host its events.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: family programming, Youth: family



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Theatre Aquarius

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Theatre Aquarius 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$450,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$5,472,008 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$350,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** A member of the Professional Association of Canadian Theatres. We are Hamilton's only professional theatre company that owns its own facility, we annually employ 200+ people and attract 80,000+ visitors to over 170 performances. Aquarius programs entertain audiences, educate thousands of local students, and foster Hamilton's arts community. We are leaders in the sector and vital to the downtown core.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Tune In Foundation** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Annual Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$138,800 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$21,593 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Tune In Foundation empowers Hamilton's youth through music education and artist development, focusing on "at-opportunity" youth. Our programs include arts-integrated seminars, self-advocacy conferences, and artist showcases, designed to inspire, ignite purpose, and foster creativity, transforming lives and communities through the power of music and art

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 15-19,Older adults/ Seniors: 25-40, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Workers Arts & Heritage Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts Operating 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$40,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$503,750 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$36,414 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Workers Arts and Heritage Centre is a community museum and arts centre that focuses on programming long-term exhibits, contemporary artists and multidisciplinary events that engage our mandate. We foster and showcase multidisciplinary artists, emerging and established, in all disciplines. We host contemporary art exhibits, showcase community arts projects, auxiliary events, school programs, a dynamic youth council, and virtual programs.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Hamilton Verse** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Operating

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Verse: Year-Round Literary Programming for Local Youth

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$29,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$236,245

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$13,282

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Verse cultivates readers, nurtures writers, and ushers in the next generation of Hamilton's literary talent. Our program uses comic book stories and popular writing formats to introduce students to the writer's craft. Our goal is to use history, identity, and culture, to nurture self efficacy and unlock the imagination in our participants.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth: 15-24

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Verse which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. In 2021, the Hamilton Youth Poets not-for-profit corporation separated from "HYP" and maintained its existing status using the new operating name of Hamilton Verse. Under new leadership, and in alignment with its mission and mandate, the organization was re-modeled as "Hamilton Verse". Hamilton Verse cultivates a community program for youth to learn storytelling and writing as an entry point into the literary sector.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Arts For All

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts For All Annual Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$35,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$644,201 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$28,920 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** AFA is a charitable arts education organization that enriches imaginations and possibilities through exceptional arts experiences. Seven flagship programs ensure equitable creative multi-arts activities professionally facilitated at no cost to child/youth participants. Partnering for accessible, inclusive and diverse "arts-ready" spaces and staff, AFA engages Artists to collaborate with cross-sector agency staff in over 50 sites, many in Code Red neighbourhoods.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Arts for All's Arts Operating application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Capacity Building application.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Dundas Valley School of Art** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Valley School of Art 2025 Annual Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$176,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$2,422,745 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$154,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Founded in 1964, Dundas Valley School of Art (DVSA) provides visual art instruction, through part-time and full-time programming across multiple visual arts mediums for people from across the Hamilton region. DVSA also has an extensive community outreach program that removes barriers to the visual arts through free programing and art experiences.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 4 – 10, Youth: 11 – 17,Older adults/ Seniors: 18 - 90+, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Other underserved people or communities



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

HCA Dance Theatre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HCA Dance Theatre Operating 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$58,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$245,750 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$26,564 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** HCA Dance Theatre has been a vital force in Hamilton's arts scene since 2001, enhancing accessibility to the performing arts through diverse programs. In 2025, we aim to strengthen our year-round offerings, including the Performing Arts Sunday Series, Children's Arts Exploration Field Trips, Fear No Dance and Dances at the Bay, fostering community engagement and long-term sustainability.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 5-10, Youth: 11-14,Older adults/ Seniors: 65-85+

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of HCA Dance Theatre's Arts Operating application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Capacity Building application.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Immigrant Culture and Art Association (ICAA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Newcomer Artists Mentorship program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$24,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$93,601 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,694 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The artists mentorship program aims to help immigrant professionals to establish their businesses as an artist in the new Canadian art market, including artist, profiling, arrangement of tools, materials, design, development publishing posters business cards, brochures. It will help artists job search, counselling, arrangement, information session, seminars, and references regarding art and crafts, exhibitions of immigrant artist, networking with established artists.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Red Beti Theatre** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Annual operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$102,704 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$342,347 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$91,928 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Red Beti Theatre is dedicated to cultivating programming and bringing forth new works by IBPOC female playwrights. This season, we unveil a production of The Petition, Decolonise Your Ears Festival, Urban Youth Workshop Series, Community engagement readings and Resilience Residency. These projects are forged through strategic partnerships, reflecting our commitment to collaboration and the amplification of diverse voices and perspectives

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Youth: under 25, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Annual Operations of Red Beti Theatre. Funds are being held pending the submission of audited financial statements.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Aeris Körper Contemporary Dance

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Aeris Körper's 2025 season programming 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$55,600 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$294,780 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$22,125 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Aeris Körper's programming centers the choreographer as the core of dance activity. Key initiatives include: -Inaugural year-long artistic associate program for 2 emerging artists -Curation and production of 2 festivals showcasing complete, works-in-progress, and dance film -Dissemination of 3 public workshops series in diverse locations -A choreographers' incubator fostering critical development in diverse styles -Organization choreographic development and touring

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Bach Elgar Choir** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Operating stream

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$29,999

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$190,092

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$22,500

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** In 2024/25 the Bach Elgar Choir presents four concert programs in Hamilton, including three with orchestra. BEC also appears with the Georgetown Bach Chorale as a guest of the Three Choir Festival and continues its collaboration with the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra in presenting Messiah. BEC features the work of G.F. Handel and continues its four-year focus on French choral music.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Dundas Concert Band Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Concert Band 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$3,450 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,671 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,708 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Dundas Concert Band is a community concert band that rehearses weekly at the Dundas Town Hall. Its members are volunteer musicians who have developed a level of play consistent with its varied repertoire. The band is led by Musical Director, Mr. William Rolfe, and performs a variety of musical styles at a number of venues throughout the year.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Dundas Pipes and Drums

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Pipes and Drums 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$6,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$22,746 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,340 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our program has two components: 1. Instruction: we teach how to play and maintain the bagpipes and drums and performance skills including marching, and deportment, and provide leadership opportunities for our youth members. 2. Performances, mainly local, include: competitions, parades and concerts with a balance of paid, and voluntary, and individual pipers perform at funerals, weddings, birthdays and other special occasions.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Dundas Valley Orchestra (DVO)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Operating

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Valley Orchestra - Concerts and Activities 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$49,067

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Through our 2025 programming, the DVO will: 1. Present exciting concerts that support our Mission and Vision 2. Increase DVO outreach to local retirement homes and other local venues through our growing roster of small ensembles 3. Support emerging musicians and composers in performances 4. Support DVO's development through coaching sessions for all musicians and individual solo opportunities.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Academy of Performing Arts

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Operating

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Academy of Performing Arts Annual Operating

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$30,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$194,903

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,300

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our 2025 strategic plan focuses on providing highquality classical performing arts training in ballet, theater, music, and vocals. Through these programs, participants will develop professional skills and perform in productions like our annual Nutcracker ballet. We aim to strengthen community connections with live performances, summer camps, workshops, seminars, and other public arts events in Hamilton.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton All Star Jazz Band Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton All Star Jazz Band Inc. 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,125 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$92,260 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,125 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our program consists of three bands for student musicians and one band for adult musicians. The repertoire consists of big band music from the 1940s to the present day. The bands present public concerts throughout the year in Hamilton and the Golden Horseshoe. The student bands also appear at National competitions across Canada, the USA and Europe.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: ages 12-25,Older adults/ Seniors: ages 25 and up



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Duet Club of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Duet Club of Hamilton - 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$4,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$22,100 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,135 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Duet Club of Hamilton, founded in 1889 by Ellen Ambrose, continues to broaden its public presence within Hamilton. The Duet Club has been contributing to the arts sector in Hamilton by hosting live performances, encouraging the continued study of music by young people, and fostering music appreciation in the community since its founding.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Harlequin Singers of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Annual Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$31,430 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,900 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Harlequin Singers are a vibrant, non-profit group of singers, who volunteer their time and talents to perform Broadway show tunes in Hamilton and surrounding areas. We proudly participate in local charitable events and love sharing our unique sound and energy at retirement homes and senior living centers, as part of our commitment to giving back to the community.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of the Harlequin Singers of Hamilton. The organization received 2024 Appeal funding. As a result, they do not have prior year CEF funding and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. Staff will continue to work with this organization to support future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Tottering Biped Theatre Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Shakespeare by Nature 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$21,540 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$71,800 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,300 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** For 7 summers (with a COVID hiatus), Shakespeare by Nature has mounted contemporary interpretations of Shakespearean theatre featuring local, emerging theatre artists. It all began with a simple idea: that audiences and local artists do not need to quench their creative thirsts in Toronto or elsewhere, captivating and incredible work can be done right here in our own backyard.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Chamber Music Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Chamber Music Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$55,450 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,100 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Chamber Music Hamilton will present five concerts per season of classical chamber music ensembles. These concerts take place in the Pavilion at the Art Gallery of Hamilton on Sunday afternoons. They range from concerts of touring string quartets to specially curated small ensembles of Ontario musicians, many of them local.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Curtain Call Performing Arts Company Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Annual Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$115,541 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,200 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our Annual Operations program will provide critical administrative and artistic support for Curtain Call Performing Arts Company, ensuring smooth day-to-day operations. This funding will enable us to expand our impact, foster community engagement, and strengthen Hamilton's arts sector, creating sustainable, inclusive programming and enriching our city's cultural landscape.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Curtain Call Performing Arts Company Inc. which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Curtain Call Performing Arts Company provides Hamiltonian's of all ages the opportunity to experience and enjoy local musical theatre performances.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Dundas Little Theatre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Little Theatre 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,999 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$109,299 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,704 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Dundas Little Theatre looks to provide practical training and hands on experience for anyone in the community interested in theatre. We create a diversity friendly space which focuses on individual talents and collective experience. Although, the collective outcome is the theatrical production, other artistic expressions are covered under this umbrella: lighting, costume , architecture, visual arts and language skills.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Industry

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Annual Operations 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$28,545 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$95,150 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,254 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Industry creates and presents projects that reflect our world today. In 2025, we will: Nurture and promote local voices (Tecumseh, Good Enough, Visible/Invisible Andal, Transcending Trauma), support emerging artists through a mentorship program (The Launching Pad),promote international connections (The Gavel),offer fresh and affordable arts education for artists and public (WorkWeekend), provide safe artistic spaces (Safer Spaces Project).



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sinfonia Ancaster (2023) Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Sinfonia Ancaster Operating 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$103,794 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$8,700 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Sinfonia Ancaster is a 18 year old community orchestra on the move. It performs out of the Ancaster Memorial Arts Center. It has been growing in audience size and performance quality since its re-emergence post COVID. It became incorporated as a not-for-profit charity early 2023. Now, more than half of its performing musicians receive competitive payment for services.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: the Christmas concert shows strong number of children ticket sales ,Older adults/ Seniors: seniors continue to a strong portion of our audience



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Society for the Performing Arts cob Ancaster Memorial Arts Centre

#### FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Operating

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Maintain and operate a performing arts and arts education centre in Ancaster

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$768,768

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Host and provide a setting for performances or concerts showcasing the talents of Canadian performers and artists in all of the theatrical, musical and visual arts. Advance education in theatre, film, visual arts, dance and music. Collaborate with regional community groups and stakeholders on programs that promote a better understanding of and appreciation for the arts.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** Ancaster Memorial Arts Centre is considered a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Matapa Music & Arts Organization

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Operating

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** The Matapa Strategic Plan 2025/2028: Resilience, Revive, and Thrive – Advancing Through Articulation and Implementation.

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$64,755

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$215,851

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our project seeks operational funding to support the growth and sustainability. This funding will allow us to hire a consultant to assist with implementing our strategic plan, as well as a full-time Executive and Artistic Director, and cover essential specialist and administrative costs. These positions and expansion of our scope and ensure the successful execution of our new strategies.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The organization received 2024 CEF Arts Festival funding. As a result, Matapa Music & Arts Organization is considered a new applicant to the Arts Operating Stream. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Fashion Week

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Operating PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Fashion Week 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$2,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$10,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: DNQ RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Fashion Week will be presenting a gala fashion show featuring local fashion designers on Feb 15, 2025. HFW also provides various networking and information sessions throughout the year.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not demonstrate qualifying eligibility criteria. This is Hamilton Fashion Week's first applicantion to the City Enrichment Fund. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



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# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Centre francophone Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Arts Festivals PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: FrancoFEST 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$40,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$278,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$30,900 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** FrancoFEST Hamilton is a free and inclusive francophone arts festival. While showcasing multiple artistic disciplines, francophone services and traditional food, it strives to attract visitors and newcomers alike, and increase access to cultural experiences in French for residents. Each year, we manage to grow audiences, develop local talent, foster new partnerships, therefore becoming a model of success among Franco-Ontarian initiatives.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Children: 4 to 11, Youth: 12-25,Older adults/ Seniors: 55+ , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Francophone

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of Centre francophone Hamilton's Arts Festivals application for FrancoFEST. Funds are being held pending the submission of their Final Report. The applicant has also submitted a successful application to the Sport & Active Lifestyles program area.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Festival of Friends** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Arts Festivals PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Festival of Friends 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$100,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$495, 500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$90,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** From its humble beginnings in 1976 - to one of the largest and longest running free music festivals of its kind - the Festival of Friends nurtures enjoyment, love, and respect for the arts. Our event is programmed for diverse family entertainment that includes arts and music education which is presented through a variety of free performances presented on multiple stages.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Festival of Friends. Funds are being held pending the submission of audited financial statements.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Greater Hamilton Arts And Events** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Arts Festivals PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: ArtsFEST 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$96,400 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,750 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** ARTSfest is a successful, viable, reoccurring festival in Westdale Village, celebrating and promoting Hamilton's artistic cultural. With professionally produced live entertainment inside Westdale Theatre and outdoor stages, ARTSfest enhances Hamilton and supports local artist and performers. Held over three days, ARTSfest promotes and provides income to multiple local Hamilton artists and performers, with exposure to a large, new audience. ARTSfest will take place on June 20-22, 2025.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Greater Hamilton Arts and Events' Arts Festivals application for ArtsFest 2025. Funds are being held pending the submission of their Final Report.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Arts Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Arts Festivals PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: hArt Dance Film Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$100,800 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The hArt Dance Film Festival celebrates diverse dance narratives through film, featuring local, national, and international artists. Highlighting emerging Indigenous, Black, and racialized voices, the festival fosters mentorship, professional growth, and audience engagement. Presented by Hamilton Arts Council, this October 2025 event amplifies Hamilton's cultural vibrancy and inclusivity in the arts, uniting communities through storytelling and movement.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Arts Council's Emerging Arts Festivals application in support of hArt Dance Film Festival which is considered a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Operating application.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Centre[3] for Social and Artistic Practice

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Arts Festivals PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Haptic Horizons Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$115,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,200 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Haptic Horizons festival aims to advance artistic practice, research, and knowledge sharing in haptic and vibrotactile technologies through a three-day event featuring free exhibitions, lectures, and workshops open to the public. In partnership with VibraFusionLab and the Hamilton Public Library, the festival seeks to make artistic and scientific research in haptic technology and disability arts accessible to all.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Centre [3] for Social and Artistic Practice's Emerging Arts Festivals application in support of Haptic Horizons Festival which is considered a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Operating application.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Arts For All

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Catalyst and Transformation Capacity Building Project

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$55,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,870** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** In response to an increased community need, AFA will retain external expertise to work with the organization to assess and transform financial systems and Human Resources management. Consultants will research, advise, test, and implement professional advancements in financial and Human Resources management, tracking and compliance with additional fees related to the use of licensed digital tools.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Arts For All's Capacity Building application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Operating application.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Brott Music Festival** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts - Capacity Building 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$92,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$11,450 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Brott Music Festival (BMF) will enhance its marketing and communications capacity by engaging CS Arts Consulting to develop marketing strategies and train existing staff. This initiative will sustain BMF's impact as a premiere Hamilton arts organization delivering 25+ performances annually and Hamilton being home to a National Arts Training Program for 55 emerging professional Canadian musicians every summer.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Brott Music Festival's Capacity Building application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Operating application.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Supercrawl Productions** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Supercrawl Revenue Generation Project 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$87,700 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$11,450 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Supercrawl Productions will hire a sponsorship consultant and an audit/financial consultant to mitigate funding losses and create new revenue generation plans. This will include analysis of current financial situation, revenue generation models, as well as the creation of a new sponsorship package.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Supercrawl Production's Capacity Building application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Operating application.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Women's Art Association of Hamitlon (WAAH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: WAAH Capacity Building 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** To build capacity for WAAH, we will launch a strategic planning process to enhance our impact and serve as a roadmap for future success. WAAH will utilize an outside consultant for this endeavor and with their expertise, WAAH will: engage in Organizational Mapping, prioritize three key areas for organizational strengthening, and develop an actionable plan and implementation process.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Women's Art Association of Hamilton which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The Women's Art Association of Hamilton (WAAH) was founded in 1894 to provide a sustainable and supportive community that promotes, encourages, and inspires artists. WAAH's Capacity Building project will assist the organization with training volunteers and transitional planning.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

HCA Dance Theatre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HCA Dance Theatre Capacity Building

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$30,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,850

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** HCA Dance + Theatre is transitioning from a licensed to a self-produced festival model with "Dances at the Bay," incurring increased costs and operational demands. To ensure sustainability, they're hiring a Fund Development Consultant to diversify funding sources, explore corporate sponsorships, and create a comprehensive, long-term fundraising strategy that supports accessible arts programming for Hamilton's community.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Women

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of HCA Dance Theatre's Capacity Building application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Arts Operating application.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Andrew O'Connor

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Flowers from the Future 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$9,850 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,075 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,511 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Andrew O'Connor is an established media artist. His project, 'Flowers from the Future,' is a multichannel video installation exploring cycles of environmental collapse and renewal. Interactive elements respond to viewers' movement and gaze, influencing visuals as a recurring countdown leads to darkness and rebirth, symbolizing the fragility of ecosystems and urgency of climate change.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Anna Chatterton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Theatrical Trolley Tour Script 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$31,200 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Anna Chatterton is an established, nationally recognized theatre artist. The Theatrical Trolley Tour Script project is to research and develop a script for a theatrical trolley tour that will animate Hamilton's waterfront specifically by connecting audiences to the land and the space at the piers. The stop and start tour will make the experience sensory, surprising, and playful.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

AwulaNa

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Made In Heartbreak 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$9,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** AwulaNa is an emerging artist. Her upcoming sixtrack EP explores the emotional journey of pursuing love in today's society—facing heartbreak, vulnerability, and self-awareness. As a jaded hopeless romantic, AwulaNa's project captures the tension between desire and self-protection. Using R&B inspired soundscapes, it tells the story of becoming a product of heartbreak.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Youth: 16 - 35, Other underserved people or communities: My music is for anyone who wants a place to feel



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ben Robinson

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: What Comes After All the Days

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$36,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Ben Robinson is an established artist. The production and presentation project, What Comes After All the Days, is a collection of poems exploring the relationship between fatherhood and masculinity. Ben Robinson has published in literary magazines and journals throughout Canada as well as two books with Palimpsest Press & ARP Books.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Joe Ollman

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Bonk'd a Hamilton Comics Anthology

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Joe Ollman is an established writer and comic artist. Bonk'd Comics is a comics anthology book that showcases a diverse range of stories by a diverse group of artists based-in and/or from Hamilton. The book will be made widely accessible to the overall Hamilton community so that everyone can enjoy these stories and will be showcased at a variety of festivals to give Hamilton artist's international exposition.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Connor Bennett** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Tidal Pool Album Recording, Production, and Performance

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23,179

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Tidal Pool is the musical project of established musician Connor Bennett. Their music is rooted in their Irish heritage, the natural world, improvisation, and collaboration. Working towards their first full length album release, this project will bring together local musicians and recording engineers to expand upon Connor's musical ideas and form a band to present the music to live audiences.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Dianne Twombly** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: (un)familiar landscapes 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$13,052

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Dianne Twombly is an emerging visual artist. The project (un)familiar landscapes is a solo show involving surreal digital photographic montages and mixed-media assemblages that re-interpret the urban landscape and explore themes of decay, renewal, memory and nostalgia as they relate to the constructed environment. Her work focuses on liminal architecture with an emphasis on Hamilton's urban spaces.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Fareh Malik

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: DROWN 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,800 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,519 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Farh Mailk is an established poet and writer who has developed a number of interdisciplinary projects. DROWN is a dance-based production which explores the themes of water, immigration, displacement, refuge, and coming to terms with one's own existence while being distant from a culture that once housed you. It will use hip-hop dance and choreography to create a dynamic narrative dance production.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers, Other underserved people or communities: Religious minority populations.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Gabriel Baribeau

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Gabriel Baribeau: Reimagining The Surface Through Land-based Art Practice

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,200

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Gabriel Baribeau is an established visual artist. A project using reclaimed shipping pallets and cardboard boxes as supports, exploring the intersection of industrial waste and housing insecurity in Hamilton's waterfront. The project combines traditional wall-building techniques with locally sourced, organic materials to create earth-based paints and practices. Through an exhibition and workshops, the artist will share sustainable art-making techniques and artworks with the community.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Gold Slate Productions** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Unseen Short Film 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We are a group of independent filmmakers from Hamilton, united through local acting classes. Gold Slate Productions is an emerging film collective. Our first short film, Unseen, a psychological thriller, delves into the effects of feeling overlooked. We aim to submit it to the Hamilton Film Festival and other international venues. By prioritizing local talent, we hope to enrich Hamilton's cultural landscape and build opportunities within our community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Robin Lacambra** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Good Enough 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$21,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Robin Lacambra is an emerging artist pursuing the publishing and presentation of their memoir, Good Enough. Blending storytelling, unsent letters, therapy exercises and karaoke song lyrics, Good Enough confronts themes of abandonment and identity, outlining Robin's on-going journey of self-discovery and healing. Parallel to publishing, Robin is developing a staged performance of Good Enough that blends their multidisciplinary art practices.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Heryka Miranda

#### FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Yax Tz'Unun - Blue Hummingbird, a ritualistic choreography exploring transformation, Mayan heritage, and ecological embodied land dance practices.

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$18,250

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Heryka Miranda is an established artist. In a time of global violence and division, YAX TZ'UNUN - Blue Hummingbird is a dance creation offering a message of hope. Rooted in Mayan heritage, this ritual choreography draws on the hummingbird's teachings as a resilient survivor, making the impossible possible, exploring its role as a death doula and reminding us to nourish with life's sweetness.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Colibri Maskwa Collective

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Wahkohtowin - All Our Relations Reflected in Creation

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$6,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Colibri Maskwa Collective is an emerging collective that creates pathways of knowledge that connect urban Indigenous and non-Indigenous people with their traditional teachings and ways of knowing and being. This multidisciplinary performance speaks to the past, present, and the future, inviting viewers to reflect on their relationship with Dodem Aki, Mother Earth. Wahkohtowin asks us to examine our relationship with the earth and what we can do to right our relations, and honour our original instructions.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Jessica Arianne Rodriguez Cabrera

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** afrontaciones => (f.) copings. Narrativas de la Memoria y el Habitar

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,997

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Jessica A. Rodriguez is an established artist whose project, afrontaciones => (f.) copings, delves into the complex layers of inhabiting a city crossed by violence. Blending auto-ethnography with artistic expression, this work layers digital and physical audio-visual narratives to explore memory, identity, and resilience, offering the multicultural Hamilton audiences a safe space to navigate and share personal stories.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Older adults/ Seniors: 37, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

JoAnne Fishburn

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts - Creation 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$53,002 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** JoAnne Fishburn is an emerging filmmaker. FISH BOY is a heartwarming 12-14 min short film about the unlikely friendship between an older single woman and a young boy. It's a story of connection, kindness, and the unspoken impact we have on one another's lives.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Karen Logan

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** "Our Fragile Environment" - a comprehensive digital resource

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Karen Logan is an established artist. A key element of Hamilton's Biodiversity Action Plan Feasibility Framework (BAP) is to educate the public and local leaders about the importance of safeguarding the City's biodiversity for future generations. This project will create a free, accessible online book by combining existing and new paintings with inventory data to help inform Hamilton's citizens about both native and invasive species.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Laura Kay Keeling

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Currently Untitled Project: Virtual Environment Creation + Q&A Event Presentation

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Lauran Kay Keeling is an emerging visual artist. I am going to create a virtual natural environment in Blender, featuring scans from my 3D scanner. This will be accessible via a device (hosted on STYLY) and will also be accessible via my website. Additionally, this project will be presented at Rooney's in Hamilton, where I will do a slideshow presentation with a Q&A.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Lesley Loksi Chan

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** About Leida (creation and presentation)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$37,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Lesley Loksi Chan is an established visual artist and filmmaker. Creating a new film based on archival research during an arts residency in Estonia and presenting a series of contemporary films and videos by Estonian artists in Hamilton.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Nathan Fleet

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Phone 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$122,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Nathan Fleet is an established filmmaker. Phone is a filmed story, told through original pop-rock songs. A teenage girl, and her father, are drifting apart after the death of her mother. She wants to pursue music, he wants her to seek a stable profession. When she sneaks away from home and arrives in Hamilton, her phone is stolen and she can't communicate, or navigate without it.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

No Disclaimers - Shaky Knees Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Mirrors 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$3,443 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$6,119 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,577 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** No Disclaimers – Shaky Knees Club, is an emerging collective of ten music artists living in Hamilton. As a combination of country, rap, pop, folk, and soul artists, what binds us together is our sharp lyricism, powerful performances, and the vulnerability we embody when we dare to create with one another.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Places - Hamilton-based Radio and DJ Collective

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: "How to Be a Local Hamilton DJ" Zine

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$6,224

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Places is an emerging Hamilton-based Radio and DJ Collective. "How to Be a Local Hamilton DJ" is a zine-manual hybrid exploring Hamilton's dance music culture and DJing as musical journalism. It will be available in print and online for public access. The launch at AndThenYou includes an artist talk and a communal dance party, celebrating DJing's role in community connection and creativity.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Same Boat Theatre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** "Dispatches" Play Development & Reading Series

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Same Boat Theatre is an established theatre collective. They will develop in workshop and publicly stage readings of three new plays by local playwrights and three well-known play by established playwrights.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sarah Bellstedt

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Sarah Bellstedt EP 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$6,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Sarah Bellstedt is an emerging singer/songwriter in Hamilton. She will use these grant funds to record and produce a new four-song EP. She will also perform these songs at an EP release show in Hamilton, in addition to various Hamilton venues throughout the year (Sounds Gay! Open Mic, Into The Abyss, and as part of the Shaky Knees Club).

TARGET GROUPS: 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sarah Sproule

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Curing the Ghost

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$73,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Sarah Sproule is an established visual artist. To create a body of sculptural artworks for an ongoing project titled "Curing the Ghost". Works from the proejct will be displayed in Hamilton at The Assembly Gallery and Hamilton Artists Inc.'s annual members show before being mounted in Toronto at Tangled Arts + Disability

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Persons with disabilities



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sheldon Francis

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Grapple 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Sheldon Francis is an emerging filmmaker. Grapple is a 20-minute coming-of-age comedy inspired by the women's wrestling team at Bishop Ryan. As a proof of concept for a series, this short film creates an environment where Cameron, a former wrestling star turned teacher, channels his personal experiences to challenge institutional biases. Now fighting for equality, he champions a resilient girls' team.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: female high school youth's , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Tania Denyer

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: I Wonder What Happened Here? - a textile art series

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$4,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$4,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,832** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Tania Denyer is a Hamilton textile artist. "I Wonder What Happened Here? - a textile art series inspired by random food found on Hamilton city streets"; is a project that explores food, food insecurity and feeding our families. This involves creating textile art pieces in response to food found on Hamilton streets and creative pop-up events at the Hamilton Farmers' Market.

TARGET GROUPS: Women, Persons with disabilities



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ting Yang

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Flora Paradise 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Ting Yang is an emerging artist working within cyanotype, photography, and mixed media. Flora Paradise would employ Hamilton's parks and gardens, celebrating the city's beauty across all seasons. This art-eco project involves gathering, preserving, and capturing plants' essence through cyanotype; aiming to inspire appreciation for Hamilton's natural landscapes while preserving these intricate forms for future generations.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Tony Vieira

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hear Here: A Sound-walking Practice

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$30,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,580** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Tony Vieira is an established artist. "Hear Here: A Sound-Walking Practice" is a location-aware sound project that will continue to develop my artistic practice of locative storytelling. Although I have exhibited a number of locative sound projects at festivals and conferences international, until Jane's Walk Hamilton in 2024 I had never created a locative storytelling project in and for Hamilton. I am eager to do more.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wreckless Harbour

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Wreckless Harbour 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$27,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,290 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Wreckless Harbour is an emerging band based in Hamilton. Inspired by the traditions of string folk bands, Wreckless Harbour's signature sound is characterized by their acoustic instrumentation, vocal harmonies, and narrative songwriting about life's struggles and joys. This project is in support of their debut album, "Wreckless Harbour". The band has been actively performing their repertoire of original music in Hamilton and its surrounding areas since 2022



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Christopher Eckart

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Kids Sing Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,782 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Christopher Eckart is an established musician. Kids Sing Hamilton is the creation of six choir songs in English and French for children in Hamilton to sing. It includes the composition of music and lyrics, recording of reference tracks, publication of music notation online for all to access and printed songbooks to be delivered to high priority schools. Songs will be presented to the public through workshops

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: My songs will be written for children ages 6 to 11 (approximately) to perform, Francophone



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Christopher Reid Flock

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Project development and execution from research and tool development through to exhibition

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$35,400

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Christopher Reid Flock is an established artist. This proposal explores transformation in clay through oversized "popped" ceramic popcorn forms. These vessels capture a moment of release and growth, symbolizing creation, destruction, and renewal. Glazed "husks" represent fragments of past selves, embodying both resilience and absurdity. Clay, manipulated under pressure, emerges as a form unconfined, reflecting its creator's influence yet defying containment.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Derek Jenkins** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The Loop Cave Project 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,340 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Derek Jenkins is an established artist. In the spirit of Stan Vanderbeek's MovieDrome, I will orchestrate a vast environment of moving images at Factory Media Centre. Comprising selections from my collection of archival films, analog projectors will loop clips at multiple angles, sizes, and lengths. Part performance, part happening—visitors will be immersed in a cavern of mechanically produced images transforming through various interventions.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Felicia Valenti

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Voices: Accessible Opera Concerts

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$13,700

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Felicia Valenti – an opera singer, actor, voice actor, teacher and proud Hamiltonian, presents Hamilton Voices: Accessible Opera Concerts. This project aims to bring beautiful opera/classical concerts to the community, featuring local collaborators. We aim to uplift underrepresented voices in the art form and create an inclusive, welcoming space for all while energizing Hamilton's operatic landscape.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, Persons with disabilities, Non-official language speakers: Italian



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Jonathan Armstrong

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: A Self-Titled Debut Album 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,950 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Johnathan Armstrong is an emerging musician. Hedonistic Buddha is my debut solo album, exploring themes of societal and personal struggles through music. This project represents a deeply personal expression of my journey as a musician and audio engineer, marking a pivotal step in my career as I move beyond collaborative work into independent creation.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ladislaus Papp

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Novel-rewrite-L.Papp 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$4,995 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$40,771 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,948 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Ladislaus Papp is an emerging writer. My project involves rewriting a novel-in-progress to make it publication-ready. Mirrored Sins is an exposé of misogyny and male rage as well as an inspiring chronicle of feminism on the march. The story is told using blue-collar voices and shows how misogyny was subverted by strong women breaking into the all-male preserve of the industrial workplace in the early 1980s



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Luiz Grante

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Emerging Professional Artist Project (Mango EP)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,350

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,950** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Luiz Grante's Mango EP features six original songs exploring queer experiences, the challenges of finding love, and the search for community. Collaborating with local musicians and a local recording studio, the project aims to amplify underrepresented voices and emotions. The EP culminates in a live showcase in Hamilton, offering a heartfelt and intimate celebration of identity and connection.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Meagan Byrne

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Project Utopia: Hamilton (Westdale)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$42,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Meagan Byrne is an established artist. To create a playable prototype or sample (PC video game and VR) of an Indigenous Utopia conceptual project currently titled "Project Utopia: Hamilton" set in what is currently defined as Westdale.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Paige Paton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Super 8 Music Documentation Project

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$6,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,950** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Paige Paton is an emerging filmmaker. This program documents Hamilton's live music scene using Super 8 film, creating short films and a handmade zine that showcases local performances. By collaborating with musicians, I aim to produce a unique artistic archive while expanding my portfolio and network within the music community, highlighting the emotional connection between visual art and music.

TARGET GROUPS: Women



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Piper & Carson

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Coalescence 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$27,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Piper & Carson are an established musical duo. Their project is to record and present a full length album titled Coalescence, aimed at healing collective grief; opening the door to rest, pleasure and possibility. They plan to record the album March 2025 and release it January 2026, with video, promotional materials, website and a local live performance (zoom option available).



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sherry Hayes

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Saving The House Mother Nature Built - Children's Storybook

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,600

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,950

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Sherry Hayes is an emerging artist expanding her practice through this project. Her storybook 'Saving The House Mother Nature Built' is designed for children, instilling interest in reading and art while helping younger generations understand important issues surrounding local ecosystems and species atrisk. This book focuses on connections between humans and nature and the need for healthy, symbiotic relationships.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: All children including younger ages (from 1 to 8) who will receive the highest benefit by learning through art and words, the importance of relationships with nature, Youth: All early-age youth interested in exploring nature and ecosystems and sharing the story with younger children through art and word of a storybook,Older adults/ Seniors [define]: Parents, grandparents, teachers and all child caregivers hoping to stimulate younger minds through picture book readings to children and youth regarding the importance of everyone working together for our natural spaces



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Steve Strongman

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Steve Strongman - New Recording

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$28,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,900** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Steve Strongman is an established musician. This funding would support a new recording (CD/ Album/ Digital) by myself, Steve Strongman. I will write, record and produce this project myself, in Hamilton, and am excited to record with the talented, world class musicians from this area, as well as developing new, recent relationships with International writers and artists.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Devin Misener** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Blown To Smithereens - 5 Song EP

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$10,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,600** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Devin Misener is an emerging musician. Blown to Smithereens is a 5 song EP created to express love and passion and a refusal to submit to the what society deems "normal" for maturing women. The songs are honest, unapologetic and are expressed through the lens of a 40 something polyamorous woman.

TARGET GROUPS: Women



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Emerson Arts** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Musical Theatre - The Queer Experience

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,600

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Emerson Arts is a collective theatre group. Community Musical Theatre - The Queer Experience is a full length jukebox musical The plot, dialogue, settings etc. are all based on research acquired for the purposes of presenting Masters Thesis research in an entertaining way, while asking the question are theatres truly a safe space for the LGBTQIA+ population.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Liam McGibbon

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Liam McGibbon - Solo Album - Life Longing And Love.

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$7,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,600** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Liam McGibbon is an emerging musician. "Life, Longing, and Love" explores human connection, resilience, and life's complexities through a personal lens. Liam aims to create a cohesive, impactful album that resonates with audiences. With grant support, he will focus on writing, recording, producing, and promoting the album, establishing his solo voice and connecting with a broader audience.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Michael Vickers

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** New Series of Artworks Created and Exhibited in Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$6,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,600** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Michael Vickers is an emerging visual artist. This six-month project focuses on creating a new body of large-scale drawings of real and imagined local flowers and fauna, exploring color theory and symbolism. Grant funds will support studio rental and materials. The project aims to revitalize my artistic practice and culminate in a public exhibition in Hamilton in fall 2025.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Amardass Sihra

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Amar Sihra's Debut Musical EP (4 songs) 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$9,670 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Amardass Sihra is an emerging musician. To Create original music & lyrics help based on my life experiences & events that have taken place while living in Hamilton. Then I will take this content and converted into 4 single songs, off different musical genres & styles to give my audience a variety of material in which they can enjoy and feel connected to too.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Joe Alexander

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Soundscapes: A Musical Journey with RULEZ

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$15,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Joe Alexander is an emerging musician. The project aims to create immersive audio-visual experiences that capture Hamilton's diverse cultural landscape, featuring RULEZ's innovative music from "Gold Upon Gold" and collaborations with local artists. These experiences will be showcased on the website RULEZ.LIVE.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Samuray Rose Diler

#### FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Creation and presentation of oil paintings of Hamilton waterfalls

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,667

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** My name is Samuray Rose Diler and I'm a professional artistic painter, mostly oil painting. I will paint very beautiful City of Hamilton waterfalls in oil . And I am going to do this with this funding. Thank you.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Tatiyana Newyniak

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Quirkydivaart in shops/ markets 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$5,660 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Tatiyana Newyniak is an emerging artist. To put QuirkyDivaArt original art work and merchandise into local Hamilton shops and markets during the year of 2025..to gain awareness of Tatiyana Newyniak's art practice, as well as to generate an income from her art sales.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wendy Campbell

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts Creation and Presentation 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$8,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$10,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Wendy Campbell is an established painter and illustrator. Her Creation and Presentation series entitled "Grounded", explores the concept of "home" through a feminine perspective. The series features ten paintings of the female form on a journey to find belonging. Wendy has exhibited her work both in Canada and internationally.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Bud Roach and Hammer Baroque

FUNDING PROGRAM: Arts

FUNDING STREAM: Creation and Presentation

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hammer Baroque Performance/Promotional Materials

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$6,540

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,800

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: DNQ

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** To create a high-quality video archive for promotional materials for the tenth anniversary of the Hammer Baroque monthly concert series, providing accessible historical performances in Hamilton.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant's program and expenditures do not qualify for funding. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Heritage Days

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Ancaster Heritage Days Summer Event 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$22,380

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$74,600

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$20,370

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Ancaster Heritage Days summer event takes place every June and has been happening in Ancaster since 1979. Our event brings together thousands of people to build community pride and spirit, to learn about the history of the city, to support local businesses and artists, and to have fun. A priority is to make the event free and accessible.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Ancaster Heritage Days' Events & Established Activities – Large Event application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Small Event application.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Barton Village Business Improvement Area

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Barton Village Festival 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$14,594

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$54,600

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$9,000** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Barton Village Festival returns in 2025 with a bang! Focused in the heart of Barton Village (Woodlands Park), this family friendly event brings together music, sports, and art in live action for all ages. Paired with a medley of vendors including foods from around the globe, this summer bash will bring community together to celebrate the pride of Barton Village.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Concession Street BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Concssion Streetfest 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$68,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,880 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Concession Street Festival 2025 has resumed regular programming (pre-covid). 50 Vendors set up at Centre Lane, Storeowners do a sidewalk sale. 12 BIA Restaurateurs set up an outside food service, beyond their regular indoor service. Going into the 26th year of celebrations, the BIA ensured that the event remains admission free. All children's activities were free of charge

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Concession Street BIA's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for Concession Streetfest. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Small Event application in support of Sidewalk Sounds.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Gibson and Landsdale Area (GALA) Community Planning Team

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: GALA Events

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$6,450

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,850

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** GALA hosts events to engage and provide enjoyment to the children and families in our area. We help to create festive atmosphere that encourages families to interact, meet new friends and learn about the community and the city. We introduce interactive games to them, add in educational tools and provide a special lunch. We help create memories.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: 150, Youth: 25,Older adults/ Seniors: 20, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Other underserved people or communities: Single parent families



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Folk Arts Heritage Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: It's Your Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$100,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$429,580 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$59,170 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** It's Your Festival is an annual celebration of being Canadian put on by the Hamilton Folk Arts Heritage Council to fulfill our mandate to nurture, promote and encourage the understanding and appreciation between peoples of all multicultural groups, and to showcase the traditions of Canadian Folk Arts through demonstrations by various ethnic Canadians through performances, music, crafts and foods.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: Programs designed to include the under 12 age group: Interactive Entertainers, Hamilton Spelling Bee, Just One Wish Kindness Awards, Baby Contest, Some Midway rides, Midway, cultural and musical performances held in the daytime, Youth: Programs designed to include ages 12 -18: Just One Wish Kindness Awards, Hamilton's Spelling Bee, Hamilton Pro Wrestling, Midway, cultural and musical performances held in the daytime, Older adults/ Seniors: Musical entertainment with an "oldies" or nostalgic focus, shade tents with seating, Health and Wellness vendors, Community Service Group Information Tents



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rotary Club of Hamilton AM

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Imagine in the Park (children's arts festival)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$12,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$51,400

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12,500

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Imagine in the Park is a free, children's arts festival that includes multiple, unique participatory workshops using professional artists. Primarily for children ages 4 - 12, all are welcome. The program seeks to promote the use of children's creative energies via hands-on interactive tented arts workshops and entertainment.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: ages 4 - 12, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Salsa Soul Productions

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Core Programs: Salsa on the Waterfront & SalsaSoul Sundays/Saturdays

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$6,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$33,012

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,716

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Since 2012, Salsa on the Waterfront & SalsaSoul Sundays/Saturdays provide free and affordable opportunities to learn and enjoy Latin dance year-round. Events include beginner dance lessons and social dancing while showcasing local artists. Founded on values of inclusion and diversity, these joyful evenings attracted 7,500 attendees in 2024, catering to Hamiltonians and tourists of all ages, abilities, and cultural backgrounds.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sprout Organization

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Lucky Lion Night Market 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$25,750

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$105,182

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Lucky Lion Night Market is a free event that celebrates and aims to preserve Asian culture in the community of Hamilton by featuring a diverse range of food vendors, merchants and cultural performances. Like the name of the event, traditional and specially choreographed Chinese lion dancing is featured where lion dancers interact with the audience to tell a story.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Hamilton Chamber of Commerce

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Day 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$100,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$358,120

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$39,200

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Day is a multi award-winning celebration of Hamilton, Ontario – designed to ignite community pride, drive local and regional tourism, and showcase the best of our city and diverse business community. It encourages local visitors to explore their own backyard, while providing regional visitors with premiere opportunities to dine, shop, and experience Hamilton the first weekend in November.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Living Rock Ministries

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Arts of August

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23,200

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Arts of August (AOA), a free, city-wide initiative was launched in 2003, as an Anti-Racism Initiative sponsored by Heritage Canada. The youth in the Anti-Racism Committee designed AOA aimed at reducing barriers for youth. AOA invites participants to engage in a "closest to the theme" contest focused on peace, equality, love, and culture. The project concludes with an art exhibit.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-25



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

5 at the First Chamber Music Series

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 5 at the First Chamber Music Players

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,455

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,150** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** 5 chamber music concerts in Hamilton ON throughout the 2025/2026 concert season, featuring 13 musicians of diverse backgrounds in varied classical music programs

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: under the age of 12, Youth: Teenagers and university students,Older adults/ Seniors:



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Afro Canadian Caribbean Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Seniors Mental Health Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$40,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program is in response to the community services in these areas: Engage equity-deserving groups & Address underserviced target groups.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth ,Older adults/ Seniors

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Afro Canadian Caribbean Association's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for the Seniors Mental health Program which is considered a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. This program delivers culturally relevant support and outreach to Black seniors to strengthen integration with community.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Bet Nahrain Assyrian Heritage Center

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 9th Annual Assyrian Festival of Nusardil

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$3,960

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,050

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,745** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Nusardil is a 6,000-year-old water celebration originating in Mesopotamia, celebrated by Assyrians worldwide. It showcases Assyrian music, cuisine, folkdance, and cultural heritage, inviting all to enjoy. The highlight is "Hamilton's Biggest Water Balloon Fight," with this year's event featuring 22,000 water balloons to celebrate the tradition and bring fun for all ages.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Binbrook Pride** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Binbrook Pride

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$2,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$2,679

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,175** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Binbrook Pride supports our Rural 2SLGBTQ+ Community in the pursuit of our rights to be seen, heard, understood, respected & to Celebrate/Educate our community & others.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Rural and remote communities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Binbrook Pride which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Cactus Festival of Dundas Ontario** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Cactus Festival

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$70,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$302,359

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$40,516

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Dundas Cactus Festival is a Free, Accessible Community festival that runs for 3 days during the 3rd weekend in August; Friday through Sunday. It celebrates in Downtown Dundas with; - Free Family Events including children's interactive activities in the Family Fun Zone - Free Entertainment for all ages and abilities - highlighting local music, dance & demonstrations - Variety of Vendors and Foods



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Canadian Society of Contemporary Iron Arts / Société Canadienne des Arts du Fer Contemporains

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** The Iron Pour 2025 - public iron casting for artists

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$3,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,525

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,000** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Building on two successful years of the iron pour at the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology, the June 2025 event is a live public demonstration of metal casting with a mobile artistisanal iron furnace. As we the event grows, we are intent on inviting local performance artists and a blacksmith to enhance our audiences' experience at the iron pour.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Canpak Association of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** International Women's Day Celebration By Can Pak Association Of Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$27,390

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,585

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The International Women's Day Celebration, organized by CanPak Hamilton, honours women's achievements and promotes gender equality. The event includes keynote speakers, panel discussions, cultural performances, and networking opportunities. Women can showcase their art & businesses through vendor stalls, fostering local economic growth. This event empowers Women, supports community dialogue, and contributes to Hamilton's inclusive, diverse development.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Canpak Association of Hamilton which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The rating is in support of the International Women's Day Celebration. Funds are being held pending the submission of financial statements.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Children's International Learning Centre (CILC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Festivals of Light: Celebrating Inclusivity & Diversity Programme (FOL)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$14,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$42,005

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$8,111

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Festivals of Light: Celebrating Inclusivity and Diversity (FOL) Programme invites people on a journey of discovery to learn about various cultural celebrations. Finding similarities between the celebrations and making connections to themselves strengthens inclusivity and celebrates Hamilton's diverse community. Light, gift-giving, gatherings of family/ friends and food are highlighted through visual displays, tactile experiences and interactive activities of the programme.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: elementary school childen but the programme is adapted for youth, adults and seniors



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Dundas Cactus Parade Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Cactus Parade

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$12,321

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$41,070

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,229

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Dundas Cactus Parade is a much-loved tradition in the town of Dundas. Each year thousands of people, both local and from out of town, crowd the streets to enjoy a wide variety of bands, live animals, and entertainment for all ages. This inclusive event has something for everyone to enjoy.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Dundas Museum and Archives** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Discover Your Historical Dundas 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,379 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Discover Your Historical Dundas is an interactive mapping website that assembles and shares with Dundas, Hamilton and the wider community the history of Dundas in a way that grounds that information within a physical place. It is one of the Museum's digital strategies for outreach and community building. The site shares information and images about buildings, people, artifacts, and events in the community.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Dundas Museum and Archives' Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for Discover your Historical Dundas. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Small Event application in support of their Exhibitions Program.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Durand Neighbourhood Association Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Durand Neighbourhood Association Community Events - 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$1,125

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$5,159

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,125

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Durand Neighbourhood Association plans to undertake two community activities in 2025, Movie Night in Durand Park in September, and Pumpkin Patch in the Park in October, which may include a pumpkin carving contest. These activities showcase the beauty of the Durand neighbourhood and provide family and friendly, accessible and free events for all to enjoy.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Festitalia Corporation** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Festitalia's 50th Anniversary Expo 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$195,700 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** For 49 years, Festitalia has documented, preserved, celebrated, and promoted Italian culture in Hamilton through an annual festival. In 2025, to commemorate our 50th Anniversary, Festitalia will host a three-day Expo, June 20-24, showcasing Italian culture through engaging activities and immersive experiences for all ages. Our programming emphasizes collaboration and inclusion, inviting all Hamiltonians to participate in this vibrant celebration.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Festialia Corporation. The organization received 2024 Appeal funding. As a result, they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. Staff will continue to work with this organization to support future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Educational railway experiences

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$6,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,401

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,055

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers (GHLS), in a long-standing tradition begun in 1975, provides miniature ride-on train experiences to the Public (including "children of all ages"), in partnership for over 35 years with the Hamilton Steam and Technology Museum. In the process, visits provide enjoyable and educational elements of how railroads work, how locomotives operate, rail safety, and Hamilton rail history.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. GHLS provides family friendly railway experiences and learning opportunities at free train ride event days throughout the Summer and train demonstration shows in the Winter.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Gourley Park Community Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Gourley Park Winterfest, Easter Egg Hunt and Pumpkinfest

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$6,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$19,300

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,513

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We strive to bring family oriented events to our park for all to enjoy and to help build a sense of community in our neighbourhood. Admission & all activities are free with only food being sold at a nominal charge. Our events include theme related crafts, games & activities with food donations to Neighbour to Neighbour encouraged.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$33,615

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,530

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Each year the Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame inducts a slate of nominees into the Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame. An induction ceremony is held to honour those who are being inducted which includes a video of each inductee, a presentation of an award to the inductee and a luncheon for guests.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame (HSHOF) invites the community to celebrate and promote athletes, teams, officials, and builders in the Sports sector who have achieved the highest standards of excellence while representing Hamilton in their professional careers.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton and District Labour Council - CLC

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Celebrate Labour Day 2025 (Annual Labour Day Parade & Picnic)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$6,100

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$46,583

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$61,00** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** From football to parades, tradition is synonymous with Hamilton's Labour Day. The Hamilton and District Labour Council marks this significant national holiday dedicated to workers and their unions – who play a vital part in the economic, social and cultural life of Hamilton – by inviting workers, their families, and the whole community to enjoy a celebratory parade and picnic.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Philippine Heritage Festival

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Fiesta Extravaganza 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$106,940 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hamilton Fiesta Extravaganza is a two-day summer festival promoting multicultural awareness and appreciation of the Philippine heritage. The main goal of this celebration is to continue to build strong Filipino community in the City of Hamilton while enjoying lively music, cultural performances, games, and the overall Filipino fiesta experience.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, , Children [define], Youth [define],Older adults/ Seniors [define], Recent immigranRecent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Rural and remote communities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Philippine Heritage Festival's application in support of Hamilton Fiesta Extravaganza which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The organization provides cultural programming to celebrate Filipino identity in Hamilton.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Racalmutese Festival of Maria Del Monte

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Racalmutese Festival of Maria SS. Del Monte

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$12,400

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$107,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$9,150** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our program objective is to bring together all people from Hamilton and surrounding areas to celebrate culture and heritage through music, dance, art, food, style and historic traditions. The Festival and Maria Del Monte is a figure of devotion of the twinning the cities and uniting the two communities. It is an important symbol of heritage, faith and cultural identity.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Nigerian Canadian Association of Hamilton (NCAH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: NCAH Annual Summer Community Picnic

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,600

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,525** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** NCAH hosts an Annual Summer Community Picnic, is a free and opened to the public, a family-friendly event celebrating culture through music, dance, food, and activities. For over 10 years, this program has been a key fixture in the community. In 2024, it served over 600 guests, fostering connections among Hamilton's diverse cultural groups.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Nigerian Canadian Association of Hamilton's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Their annual picnic invites the community to join in celebrating Nigerian culture.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Red Tree Artists' Collective

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Winter Solstice Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$13,200 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$24,475 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,204 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Winter Solstice Festival in Corktown Park is an annual community and art celebration of the return of light on the eve of the longest night of the year. The festival features performances, installations, screenings by local professional artists from diverse communities and different disciplines, as well as hands-on creative audience and community participation for all ages, free of charge.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Red Tree Artists' Collective's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application which is considered a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The applicant invites community to participate in family friendly workshops leading up to their annual Winter Solstice Festival to celebrate the darkest day of the year through music, performance, and art installations.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Serbian Folklore Ensemble "KOLO"

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Serbian Folklore Ensemble "KOLO" 56th Annual Concert

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,870

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,254

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,699

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Serbian Folklore Ensemble "KOLO" presents their 56th annual concert honouring over five decades of dance, culture, and community in Hamilton, ON. The concert will showcase various performances of traditional Serbian folklore dances and songs presented by local and potentially international performers. Guests of all ages and backgrounds are invited to attend.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Serbian Folklore Ensemble "KOLO"s Events & Established Activities – Small Event application which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Their annual concert invites the community to enjoy an evening of traditional Serbian folklore performance.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

South Asian Heritage Association of Hamilton & Region

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Spring Festival of South Asia 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$6,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,750

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,480** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The 21th Spring Festival is to celebrate the "South Asian Month in Ontario" and will be held in Hamilton on Saturday May 10, 2025 in a publicly accessible location in Hamilton. This Festival consists of a cultural program featuring art, music, dance and food festival from various South Asian countries (including Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka).

TARGET GROUPS: Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Waterdown Business Improvement Area (BIA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Walk Waterdown Fall (Scarecrow, Treat and Pet Walks)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,400

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,350

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Waterdown Village streets come alive every fall when more than 125 scarecrows are displayed by local businesses and organizations from Thanksgiving to Halloween and visitors are invited to 'Walk Waterdown' to find them all. The Treat and Pet Walk is a daytime event the Saturday before Halloween that brings thousands to downtown streets for treats, entertainment and lively activations.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Waterdown Business Improvement Area (BIA)'s Events & Established Activities – Small Event application. This program is new to the CEF, and as a result they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Heritage Days

**FUNDING PROGRAM:** Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Ancaster Heritage Days Winter Event 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$2,100

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$7,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,688

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Ancaster Heritage Days winter event takes place the first Thursday of December. It has been a staple in the community for 30+ years. The event hosts 2,000+ people to build community pride & spirit, to celebrate the season, support local businesses and artists, and to have fun. A priority is to make the event free and accessible to all people.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Ancaster Heritage Days' Events & Established Activities – Small Event application. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Large Event application.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Asociacion Fraternidad Hispana/ Fraternity Hispanic Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 2025 Latin American Heritage Month

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$8,700

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$21,750

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,195

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The funds requested are towards the celebration of the 2025 Latin American Heritage Month in Hamilton- Ontario. The series of events take place during the month of October.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Association de la communauté ivoirienne de Hamilton (ACIH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Francolympiade - Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$12,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$824 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Francolympiade – Hamilton is a public speaking competition meant promote a sense of belonging and unify young francophones within the diversity of the Hamilton francophone community. The aim is to strengthen young Francophones' general knowledge of the French-speaking community in Hamilton and enhance their sense of belonging to the local Francophone community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Francophone



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Assossiation Haitienne de Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Afro Caribbean Taste (ACT) 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$41,020 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,813 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Association Haïtienne de Hamilton aims to preserve Haitian culture and language, providing a multicultural experience that celebrates Haitian heritage and French language within Hamilton's community. This event will engage Hamilton residents, showcase Haitian traditions, and promote community connections in a multicultural environment.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 0 to 15, Youth: 16+,Older adults/ Seniors: 20+, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers: Haitian Creole, Francophone

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Assossiation Haitienne de Hamilton's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application which is a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. The program centers on Haitian cultural celebration, with activities highlighting traditional Haitian music, dance, language, cuisine, and art to engage the community in an immersive cultural experience.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Binbrook Parade Committee

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Binbrook Santa Claus Parade

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$4,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23,235

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Binbrook Santa Claus Parade, established in 2019, has quickly become a beloved holiday tradition that in the heart of Binbrook. Each year the parade brings together families, local businesses and groups to celebrate the magic of Christmas. With festive floats, marching bands and of course, Santa Claus himself, it's an unforgettable celebration for attendees of all ages!



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Canadian Orpheus Male Choir (Hamilton)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Canadian Orpheus Male Choir (COMC)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$40,150

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,906** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** COMC is a Hamilton-based male voice (TTBB) community choir. We maintain an active schedule of two major public concerts each season and approximately 3-4 other smaller events with regular appearances at local seniors' homes. Additionally, we organize an annual "Choir Fest" event that brings several area choirs together, and we regularly perform in support of other area charitable organizations.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Canadian Orpheus Male Choir's Events & Established Activities – Small Events application. Canadian Orpheus Male Choir a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. They are traditional men's chorus that rehearses regularly to nurture social connection and collaboration amongst their members to present masterful choral music performances for Hamilton audiences.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Brea Ministries** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Christmas Dinner Celebration 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,314 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,283 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Brea will be hosting a Christmas Dinner Celebration for immigrant families who have come to Canada in the last two years and are on their first or second Christmas away from home and probably away from family. The programming includes, Christmas dinner, raffles, performances, and activities. Also includes delivering toys for children, gifts for teens and grocery baskets for families.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Children: 0-12, Youth: 13-18,Older adults/ Seniors: +65, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers: Spanish



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area (BIA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dickens in Dundas 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$37,200 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$126,140 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$14,415 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Dickens in Dundas is a free, Victorian-themed event in downtown Hamilton, featuring holiday activities amid historic architecture. With the recent addition of an EDI framework, the event aims to positively impact participants, local businesses, and the wider Hamilton community. Inspired by Dickens' work, our vision is to embrace social change through inclusive education and entertainment, engaging Hamilton's diverse audience

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area's Events & Established Activities – Large Event application for Dickens in Dundas. This event did not receive a CEF grant in 2024. As a result, they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. This applicant has also submitted a successful New Projects application in support of Dundas Live and Local. Staff will continue to work with this organization to support future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Gore Park Summer Promenade

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$12,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$51,215

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12,360

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Gore Park Summer Promenade is the annual outdoor concert series that the Downtown Hamilton BIA hosts in Gore Park during the summer months. Continuing a legacy of activation, engagement and pedestrianization within Gore Park, this event provides visitors with live music, seating, life-size games, food vendors and more, turning the roadway within Gore Park into a vibrant community hub.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Dundas Museum & Archives** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Dundas Historical Society Museum - Exhibitions Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$101,846

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,710

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Dundas Museum Exhibitions Program develops unique exhibitions that explore the history and culture of the Community. The exhibitions are presented in cooperation with local individuals, schools, and community organizations alongside custom curriculum-based education programs for students. We create engaging and thoughtful presentations of local significance for the education and enjoyment of the people of Dundas, Hamilton, and beyond.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Dundas Museum and Archives' Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for their Exhibitions Program. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Small Event application in support of their Discover your Historical Dundas program.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Golden Youth** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Eid Festival 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$13,860 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$46,200 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5371 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We are seeking support to host an annual Eid Festival in the City of Hamilton. This event provides Muslims in Hamilton the opportunity to celebrate a key occasion with the larger community. Our goal is to celebrate, educate and foster multiculturalism locally and spread the message of peace during challenging times globally.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: Festival encourages participation and entertainment for children., Youth: Festival creates opportunities of volunteerism and youth participation in diverse initiatives,Older adults/ Seniors: Festival offers senior specific activities and enhances their overall participatory experience, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers: Festival connects to newcomers and non-official language speakers through fostering community partnerships and welcoming all

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Golden Youth's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application in support of the Eid Festival 2025. Golden Youth is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Golden Youth provides meaningful cultural programming to youth in Hamilton with Eid Festival being its largest event including children and youth workshops, cultural food, artists, musicians, and entertainment.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Black Film Festival

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Black Film Festival

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,999

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23,349

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5812

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hamilton Black Film Festival is an annual event in Hamilton, Ontario, that celebrates and showcases films from Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) filmmakers worldwide. The festival includes a diverse lineup of feature films, documentaries, and shorts from established and emerging creators.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Children: yes, Youth: yes,Older adults/ Seniors: yes, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers, Francophone, Rural and remote communities, Other underserved people or communities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Black Film Festival's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application. Hamilton Black Film Festival is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The Hamilton Black Film Festival's programming is centered around amplifying diverse voices and fostering cultural understanding through the lens of diverse filmmakers.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Black History Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Reverend John C. Holland Awards

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$25,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$88,860

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$13,630

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hosted by Hamilton Black History Council, the annual Reverend John C. Holland Awards Gala showcases the rich cultural heritage of Hamilton's Black community. The Awards celebrate the contributions of local Black leaders to the social, economic, and cultural life of our city, and recognize the academic achievements and aspirations of Black youth

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Children: 10 to 13, Youth: 14 to 24,Older adults/ Seniors: 55 and up , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Sings! Community Choir

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Sings! Community Choir

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$34,200

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,938

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Sings! is a non-audition community choir that rehearses and performs throughout the year. Our repertoire includes music brought to the choir by members, as well as locally composed contemporary and traditional choral music. The choir strives to break down any barriers to participation: anyone who wants to sing is welcome, and will be nurtured to find their own voice.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton-Halton Chinese Choir

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Concerts & Established Activities 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$3,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,092 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,500 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton-Halton Chinese Choir (HHCC) hires professional vocal and music teachers to train local new Chinese immigrants and senior Chinese Canadians who love singing, to participate and perform in annual Chinese festivals, multicultural communities and Hamilton city event. The program is open to the people of different music levels, from amateur to experienced. We also organized concerts in McMaster Wilson Hall

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Older adults/ Seniors: 60~80 years old , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers: Chinese, etc., Other underserved people or communities: Seniors in health centers



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

iBalance Living Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$3,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$13,700 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,513 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival takes place in September, marking a time when families gather to celebrate the harvest season. The event offers a variety of creative and enjoyable activities, including face and nail painting, calligraphy sessions, chess tournaments, mooncake-making, lantern crafting, and captivating dance performances.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of iBalance Living Association's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival. This applicant has also submitted a successful New Projects application in support of their Health lifestyle Through Chinese Medicine program.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

India Canada Society

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Gandhi Peace Festival

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,750

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,375** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Gandhi Peace Festival consists of a peace walk, invited speakers, creative cultural programs, program for children, music performed by local musicians, all of which are related to our annual theme chosen each year based on problems facing the community and the nation. All activities take place at the city hall and are free, open and accessible to all.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Lit Live Reading Series

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Lit Live Reading Series

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,350** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Lit Live is a monthly reading series that takes place on the first Sunday of each month from September – June each year at The Staircase, an accessible performance venue in Hamilton's west end. Each Lit Live brings together four Canadian authors working in varied genres (always including a Hamilton-based author) to share their work with our Hamilton audience



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Musicata Hamilton's Voices (formerly The John Laing Singers

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Musicata - Hamilton's Voices Choral Concert Series

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$27,089

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Musicata's 2025 Choral Concert Series will showcase local instrumentalists and a range of new Canadian works. The first concert features a harpsichord-cello duo accompanying a midwinter celebration of mixed seasonal compositions; the second, music for choir and percussion; and the third, a jazz celebration that includes three new Canadian jazz compositions by collaborators Will Todd, Javier Vazquez and Rosalind Mill.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Polish Symfonia Choir

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Polish Symfonia Choir 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,900 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,938 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Historical Anniversary of the Independence Day of Poland which coincides with November 11th, 2025 Christmas Concert in January 12th,2025. This concert attracts different choirs from Ontario, the youth, Capella Ludowa, singers, and various other diverse cultures Spring Concert in March 2025. Constitutional Day Concert in May 3rd, 2025. The Symfonia Choir will be celebrating the Constitution of Poland in 1791.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children, Youth,Older adults/ Seniors, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Polish Symfonia Choir. The organization received 2024 Appeal funding. As a result, they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. Staff will continue to work with this organization to support future applications.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Taste of Philippines

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Taste of Philippines 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$40,612 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,813 2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** To celebrate The Filipino Canadian Culture and Showcase to Canada through music, food and the arts and create a sustainable program to benefit the local community and beyond. To create events that provide a forum to support and introduce up and coming local talents and later to progress to attract worldwide talent to perform at our local festival.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Taste of Philippines which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Their event provides an opportunity for Hamilton to engage with Filipino culture through cultural arts, food, music, and traditional performance.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Winona Peach Festival

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Winona Peach Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$99,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$502,601 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$60,695 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Winona Peach Festival is a free family oriented event that aims at providing an occasion which encourages community involvement from local businesses as well as local fruit vendors, intergenerational attendance and "People working Together for a Better Community". The Festival has an Arts & Craft, Community Area, Commercial Exhibits, Midway, Entertainment and Food Court to provide a fun experience.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: midway/fish pond/kids entertainment, Youth: midway / entertainment,Older adults/ Seniors: Arts & Crafts/Commercial/entertainment

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Winona Peach Festival. Funds are being held pending the submission of audited financial statements.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Zula Presents Something Else!

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 12th Annual Something Else! Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,900 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$104,650 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$17,592 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** 12th (+13th+14th) iteration(s) of Something Else! Festival will reconvene June 19–22, 2025 (+2026+2027) at venues around Hamilton, presenting newer traditions in jazz, creative, improvised music, world traditions, with local, national, international artists ranging from established/elder/world-renowned to younger/lesser-known/emerging artists representing many scenes, backgrounds, countries, provinces, as well as a balanced cross-section of various groups, will meet, interact, and perform together.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth: : Work with schools,Older adults/ Seniors: discounts , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Francophone, Other underserved people or communities: Students, HPL patrons



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Board of Management of the Stoney Creek BIA

**FUNDING PROGRAM:** Communities, Culture & Heritage **FUNDING STREAM:** Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Saturdays in the Creek 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$49,800

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Live music, local artisans, heritage and culture displays on the third or fourth Saturday of the month from May - November along the street in the heritage centre of Downtown Stoney Creek

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of Stoney Creek BIA's Events and Established Activities – Small Event application for Saturdays in the Creek. Funds are being held pending the submission of their Final Report. The applicant has also submitted a successful New Projects application in support of Boots in the Creek, and a successful application to the Agriculture program area.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Chorus Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Chorus Hamilton 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$53,900 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,283 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Chorus Hamilton will perform three formal concerts in 2025: an assortment of popular jazz tunes in Spring; a peace-themed collaboration with the Dundas Valley Orchestra at the Hamilton War Plane Museum in early Summer; a Seasonal concert in December. A number of additional presentations, with a smaller group of choristers, will be created for community outreach efforts.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Concession Street BIA** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Concession Street Sidewalk Sounds

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Concession Street Sidewalk Sounds 2025 has has been re-structured to occur every 3rd Friday night of the month (May - Sep). In addition, we have added a night market. Over 50 Vendors set up on the sidewalk. Storeowners do have the option of a sidewalk sale. BIA Restaurateurs are set up with an outside patio food service.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Concession Street BIA's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for Sidewalk Sounds. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Small Event application in support of Concession Streetfest.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Locke Street BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Sundays UnLocked 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$83,800 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,320 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Sundays UnLocked is held on Locke Street as a celebration of community, culture and art, which aims to engage the community. The streets are "unlocked" to allow for pedestrian only and friendly traffic It is a reoccurring pedestrian friendly event, held the third Sunday in June, July and September, October. The street is enlivened with artist, performers, displays and entertainment

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of Locke Street BIA's Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for Sundays UnLocked 2025. Funds are being held pending the submission of their Final Report.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Lynden Canada Day Committee

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Lynden Canada Day

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$8,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$47,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,575** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Celebrating Canada Day in the community of Lynden. The event includes an opening parade, activities and games, entertainment and a fire works finale show in the evening.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Pride Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 2025 Pride Festival 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,999 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$450,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,849 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our annual pride event celebrates the 2SLGBTQ+ community in Hamilton and provides an environment of safety and diversity within which all Hamiltonians can have the freedom to be themselves. Our aim is to support the community in Hamilton and provide an environment where community members can build their network, make new friends, show support, and be there for each other.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Pride Hamilton's Events & Established Activities – Large Event stream application for the 2025 Pride Festival. The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a higher rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Stoney Creek Santa Claus Parade

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Stoney Creek Santa Claus Parade 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$3,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$28,038

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,135

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Stoney Creek Santa Claus Parade is an annual holiday-themed street event, featuring floats, bands, and walkers from Stoney Creek and surrounding neighborhoods.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Hamilton Santa Claus Parade Committee

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The Hamilton Santa Claus Parade

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$29,900

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$99,667

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$\$9,269

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We put on the yearly Hamilton Santa Claus parade along the streets of Hamilton for all residents in and around the Greater Hamilton Area. Our parade will consist of Vehicles, Floats, Dance groups, Entertainment, and Bands. This year's parade has moved the the mountain on Upper Sherman.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of The Hamilton Santa Claus Parade Committee. The Hamilton Santa Claus Parade Committee was previously funded outside of the CEF program in 2024 by Council Motion through one-time funds from the Ward 6 Discretionary funds totaling \$9,900 and one-time in-kind support provided by the Tourism and Culture Division for a total value of \$20,000. As a result, they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. Staff will continue to work with this organization to support future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Westdale Village BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Westdale Live

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$28,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3863

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Live music June to October on streetside patios in Westdale Village.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of Westdale Village BIA's Events & Established Activities – Small Event grant for Westdale Live. Funds are being held pending the submission of their Final Report. The applicant has also submitted a successful application to the Agriculture program area.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Concession Street BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Concession Street Corn Fest 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$9,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Concession Street Cornfest 2024 has resumed regular programming (pre-covid). 30 Vendors were set up on the sidewalk, Storeowners did a sidewalk sale. Cornfest was started in 1997 at the Royal Bank parking lot, took a pause in 2017, was brought back in 2024. This represented a Fall Fair and Food drive that the BIA sponsored.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** Concession Street BIA's Cornfest is a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications. This applicant has also submitted successful Events & Established Activities – Small Event applications in support of Concession Streetfest and Sidewalk Sounds.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Dreamweaver

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Kidstock 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Kidstock is a free, youth-focused full-day event designed to bring together families and community members to enjoy a fun, interactive celebration of music, arts, and culture. This festival will feature live performances by local musicians, hands-on workshops with community partners, arts and crafts, and interactive activities tailored to children of all ages.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: Children ages 0-14, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** Dreamweaver is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Santa Claus Parade

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Seasonal Santa Claus Parade

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$52,555

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The "Light the Way for Santa" Night Time Parade is an annual event that is held throughout the streets of "downtown" Waterdown. The parade is held during the evening, and therefore requires that entrants include a display of holiday lights on their float/entry.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** Flamborough Santa Claus Parade is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

McMaster Gujarati Students Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Community Spring Garba

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,650

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: DNQ

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This is a Gujarati celebration of heritage that will invite members of the McMaster and Hamilton community to engage in a night of dance, celebration, and devotion in honour of a goddess.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth: 17-25, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not demonstrate qualifying eligibility criteria. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Vogue & Venue Events Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Events & Established Activities

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Communities, Culture & Heritage/ Owambe Experience

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$100,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$101,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: DNQ

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Owambe Experience: Aso Ebi Special The Owambe Experience is a cultural celebration designed to bring people together in a lively, colorful, and engaging atmosphere inspired by traditional Nigerian gatherings. The event embraces the essence of "Owambe," a Yoruba term referring to joyous, community-driven parties often filled with music, dancing, traditional attire, and rich cultural expressions

#### TARGET GROUPS: Women

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not demonstrate qualifying eligibility criteria. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Barton Village BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Barton Village Farmers Market

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,983

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,819

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Barton Village Farmers Market is a recurring market running from June - October 2025 at the Southeast corner of Barton St. and Birch Ave. The objective of the market is to provide access to healthy, affordable food to the residents of ward 3, connect Hamilton residents with local farmers and businesses, and foster community engagement in the area

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

BLK OWNED LTD

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: BLK Mental Health Week 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$95,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** BLK Mental Health Week is an empowering initiative supporting the mental health of Black entrepreneurs and community leaders in Hamilton. Featuring interactive workshops, a special restorative workshop, and a community showcase, this event fosters resilience, promotes mental health awareness, and strengthens connections, equipping participants with the resources needed to thrive both personally and professionally.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of BLK Owned LTD's New Projects application for BLK Mental Health Week. BLK Owned LTD is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Their advocacy and programs aim to empower Black professionals and strengthen community.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Stoney Creek BIA

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Boots in the Creek 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$160,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Country Music festival in Downtown Stoney Creek running through August 15, 16, 2025 for its third year of successful operation. Boots in the Creek offers country music performances with local artists and beyond on two outdoor stages, local artisans, food trucks, and more held along the street in the heritage centre of Downtown Stoney Creek

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Stoney Creek BIA's New Projects application for Boots in the Creek 2025. This event did not receive a CEF grant in 2024. As a result, they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. Staff will continue to work with this organization to support future applications. Funds are being held pending the submission of a Stoney Creek BIA final report.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Centre canadien pour l'unité de la famille (CCF)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Festival AfroJazz Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$102,150

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$14,000

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** "Festival AfroJazz Hamilton" aims to showcase the beauty and diversity of African and Caribbean cultures through performing arts, visual arts, music, food, storytelling and more The festival is held once a year and Artists from over 12 ethno-cultural communities will entertain the public and instill pride in Afro-Caribbean history and culture. The line-up includes Cultural Parade, Musical Performances, African dance workshop.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Culture Matters Foundation

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: CMF Black History Month Installation 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$49,170 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,675 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This year's BHM (Black History Month) Installation celebrates the artistry and cultural significance of Black hair through a carefully curated installations of art portraits, dynamically styled mannequins, and educational information at the Hamilton Convention Centre. By focusing on the heritage, beauty, and versatility of Black hairstyles, the exhibit also addresses anti-Black hair discrimination and fosters cultural appreciation within the wider Hamilton community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Children: 1-12 yrs, Youth: 13-25 yrs , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Hamilton Chinese Association** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Chinese Association x Red Packet Popups Bi-Annual Popup Markets

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,600

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hamilton Chinese Association x Red Packet Popups Bi-Annual Markets celebrate lunisolar traditions, fostering community unity across cultures. In 2025, we're hosting a Lunar New Year Popup on January 26 and a Harvest Moon Popup in October, inviting Hamilton to enjoy traditional foods, arts, and performances while supporting local vendors and strengthening community bonds through shared cultural experiences.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Other underserved people or communities: People from cultures that celebrate Lunar New Year and Harvest Moon Festival (various Asian communities)

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Chinese Association's New Projects application for their Hamilton Chinese Association x Red Packet Popups Bi-Annual Popup Markets. Hamilton Chinese Association is considered a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. They provide opportunities to celebrate Chinese heritage through activities like majong, martial arts, calligraphy, cooking, and cultural wellness practices to encourage cultural appreciation across Hamilton. As a new organization they are supported in partnership by Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion under a shared platform non-profit agreement.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

iBalance Living Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Health lifestyle Through Chinese Medicine

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$3,400

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,320

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,530

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We are offering a series of courses and programs on healthy lifestyle and wellness, inspired by Traditional Chinese Medicine but tailored for everyday living. This project includes seminars on healthy eating and herbal teas, as well as exercise classes such as Chinese dance class, Tai Chi and Baduanjin. These programs are open to the Chinese population in Hamilton.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of iBalance Living Association's New Projects application for the Health lifestyle Through Chinese Medicine program, which is a new program to the City Enrichemnt Fund. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Small Event application for the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Melanin Market

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Melanin Market Presents: Art After Dark 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$19,260 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Melanin Market would like to create an annual night-time arts festival of a city. Art After Dark will have museums, private and public art galleries, and other cultural institutions open to the public. The center of the downtown core being turned into a de facto art gallery, providing art installations, performances (music, film, dance, performance art), themed social gatherings.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 18-30 years old , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Melanin Market which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Melanin Market amplifies Black voices, stories, and experiences through dynamic and immersive art and cultural programs.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Craft Crawl 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$2000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$4976 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$940 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Join us on Ottawa Street North for Craft Crawl. We invite you to wander down our sidewalks, discovering local small businesses offering everything from stunning jewelry and hand-poured candles to one-of-a-kind pottery and beautifully crafted home goods. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet the artisans behind the products, watch live demonstrations, and even purchase some of their creations directly.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children , Youth,Older adults/ Seniors , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Other underserved people or communities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area's New Projects application for Craft Crawl. This event did not receive a CEF grant in 2024. As a result, they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. Funds are being held pending the submission of financial statements. This applicant has also submitted a successful application to the Sport & Active Lifestyles program area.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sisters in Sync

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** International Day of The Girl: Investing in the Future of Girls

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$50,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The International Day of The Girl Event is a oneday event celebrating adolescent girls, featuring interactive workshops, engaging activities, and an awards ceremony. With access to mentors and opportunities to lead panels, it empowers girls aged 6-21 in areas like leadership skills, confidence, and exploring career paths. The event culminates in an awards ceremony that honors their potential and achievements.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Children: 8-14, Youth: 15-29, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Francophone

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Sisters in Sync's New Projects application for International Day of The Girl: Investing in the Future of Girls, which is a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. This event strengthens community through inclusive workshops, mentorship, and cultural programming celebrating young women. This applicant has also submitted a successful application to the Community Services program area.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Somali Community in Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Somali Community Celebration 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$9,700 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,350 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Somali Community Celebration is a vibrant new project bringing together Hamilton's Somali community to showcase cultural heritage, music, dance, and traditional arts. This event fosters community pride, cross-cultural connection, and intergenerational learning while celebrating Somali contributions to Hamilton's diverse cultural landscape. Open to all, it's a family-friendly celebration of unity, resilience, and shared heritage.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 6-13, Youth: 14-18,Older adults/ Seniors: 19-60, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers, Other underserved people or communities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Somali Community in Hamilton's New Projects application for Somali Community Celebration, which is a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. This event will invite the community to celebrate Somali culture through meaningful cultural programming. The applicant has also submitted successful applications to the Community Services, Digital, and Sport & Active Lifestyles program areas.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Association de la communauté ivoirienne de Hamilton (ACIH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Celebration of Afro-Caribbean cultural wealth 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,900 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$21,400 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$8,344 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The activity of celebrating Afro-Caribbean cultural wealth aims to strengthen tolerance and understanding towards Afro-Caribbean cultures. It will raise community awareness of what cultural diversity brings to our daily lives, and learn to recognize and respect people's differences. The activity will take the form of an artistic program of dance, music, fashion shows, exhibitions, gastronomy, life stories, testimonials, sharing, networking.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth ,Older adults/ Seniors, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Francophone, Other underserved people or communities



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Cameroonian Association of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The Intergenerational Cultural Heritage Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,145 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$21,145 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1994 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Cameroonian Association of Hamilton Intergenerational Cultural Heritage program aims to preserve and promote Cameroonian traditions within the local diaspora while welcoming the broader community to participate. The program offers activities, workshops, and cultural events, fostering intergenerational connections and educating the community about Cameroonian culture, history, music, and art. The program strengthens cultural identity and supports integration into Canadian society.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: We define youth in this program as between the ages of 15 and 30, Older adults/ Seniors: over 55 years. Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers: Several members of the organization speak other languages. While most speak either English or French, there are some members, especially elderly members, who do not understand or speak English or French well, especially as spoken in Hamilton, Francophone

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Cameroonian Association of Hamilton's New Projects application for the Intergenerational Cultural Heritage Program. The Cameroonian Association of Hamilton is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. Active since 2007, this organization delivers meaningful programs which celebrate Cameroonian culture in Hamilton.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Disability Justice Network of Ontario** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Disabled Youth in Action - Advancing Justice in Hamilton

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,813

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program builds on the works of our Youth Action Council and our education series/tools to connect youth, seniors, and families with advanced educational experiences and peer support around home care, housing, access to justice, medical racism, and more. Building from our wealth of experience, this youth-led project will build deep, intersectional connections between different disabled communities in Hamilton.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: An overall focus on children which includes participants under 16 years of age, Youth: An overall focus on youth which includes participants from 16 to 30 years of age: Older adults/ Seniors: An overall focus on older adults which includes participants from 50 to 100 years of age:Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Disability Justice Network of Ontario's New Projects application for the Disabled Youth in Action - Advancing Justice in Hamilton, which is a new program to the City Enrichment Fund.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area (BIA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Live and Local 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$52,200 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5813 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Live and Local will be a vibrant festival, transforming our main street into a lively showcase of Hamilton's musicians, performers, and artists. Guests can enjoy pop-up stages, interactive performances, and colorful installations while exploring King Street merchants and savoring local cuisine. This festival promises an unforgettable experience celebrating the heart of Hamilton's creative community.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area's New Projects application for Dundas Live and Local. This event did not receive a CEF grant in 2024. As a result, they do not have a prior year CEF funding level and are not noted as 'returning'. Their 2025 funding recommendation is in alignment with new programs. This applicant has also submitted a successful Events & Established Activities – Large Event application in support of Dickens in Dundas. Staff will continue to work with this organization to support future applications.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Regional Indian Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HRIC Pow-Wow Community Event

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$30,155

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,813

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We are requesting funds to help provide culture to our Indigenous, Hamilton community members. There is currently no Pow Wow in Hamilton and we would like these funds so our Hamilton community can connect with their culture in the city.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 0-12, Youth: 13-30, Older adults/ Seniors: 30-99, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hamilton Regional Indian Centre's New Projects application in support of the HRIC Pow-Wow Community Event. Hamilton Regional Indian Centre is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. This organization delivers meaningful programming for Indigenous communities in a culturally safe environment.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hellenic Community of Hamilton and District

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Hellenic Preservation Project "The Greeks in Hamilton "

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$19,550

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,813

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Hellenic Preservation Project. Collection, restoration, preservation and documentation of the Hellenic heritage, language and religious artifacts of Greeks in Hamilton.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: Under 13 years of age, Youth: 13 to 18 years of age, Older adults/ Seniors: aged 55 + , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers, Rural and remote communities, Other underserved people or communities: low income

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Hellenic Community of Hamilton and District which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. This project aims to preserve Greek heritage through the historical preservation of archive of Greek immigration in Hamilton presented through a website and community celebration.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Queer Halal Time

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Queer Muslim Ramadan & Eid Annual Programming

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,813

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Queer Halal Time seeks \$15,000 under the Communities, Culture, and Heritage Program to host annual Ramadan and Eid events for queer Muslims and allies in Hamilton. This program will involve expanded Ramadan Iftaar dinners, a food drive, and a Queer Muslim Eid Gala in collaboration with neighboring organizations, aimed at celebrating queer Muslim identity and fostering community connections.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers, Other underserved people or communities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Queer Halal Time which is a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. They provide meaningful cultural programming within the Muslim and queer communities to practice and celebrate safely. As a new organization they are supported in partnership by Compass Community Health under a shared platform non-profit agreement.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rafiki Hamilton Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Kemi Event (Black History Month Event) 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,813 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Black History Month was created to celebrate Black Culture & other contributions Black Canadians & their communities have made & the continued growth of this country. Every second month of the year, Rafiki Hamilton celebrates the achievements & contributions of Black Canadians and their communities in Canada that have largely been ignored as a key part of Canada's history

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Rafiki Hamilton Centre's New Projects application for the Kemi Event, which is a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. They deliver cultural programming within the Black, Francophone, and Anglophone African communities in Hamilton to gather and practice safely. The applicant has also submitted successful applications to the Digital and Sport & Active Lifestyles program areas.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Fair Park Seniors Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Fair Park Seniors Association - Multicultural Day Celebration

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$14,300

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,800

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,433

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Fair Park Seniors Association's Multicultural Day Celebration will unite community members through cultural performances, diverse cuisines, and interactive activities, fostering inclusivity, intergenerational connections, and appreciation for Hamilton's multicultural heritage.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of Fair Park Seniors Association's New Projects application for the Multicultural Day Celebration, which is a new program to the City Enrichment Fund. They deliver programming to enhance the quality of life of seniors by celebrating cultural diversity and encourage active participation in community. The applicant has also submitted a successful application to the Sport & Active Lifestyles program area.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: New Projects

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame Programming

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$33,615

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame maintains a physical location at the Eva Rothwell Centre at 460 Wentworth Street N in Hamilton. The Hall exhibits displays and memorabilia related to our inductees to further advance the civic recognition of these notable accomplished Hamiltonians and welcomes visitors to learn about the rich history of sports in Hamilton.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications. The applicant has submitted a successful application to the Events & Established Activities – Small Event stream for their Induction Ceremony event.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Refinement Room

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage FUNDING STREAM: New Projects PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Amplifying Cultural Resonance 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,400 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: DNQ RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The "Amplifying Cultural Resonance" program offers three 6-week program cycles of group workshops to support migrants in Hamilton, helping them develop an awareness of and process migratory grief, build emotional resilience, and integrate cultural practices. By fostering self-awareness and social connections, the program aims to enhance well-being, reduce isolation, and promote community integration among diverse newcomers and longtime community members.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not demonstrate qualifying eligibility criteria. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

VibraFusionLab

FUNDING PROGRAM: Communities, Culture & Heritage

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Transitional planning for VibraFusionLab

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$18,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$60,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$8,100** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** VibraFusionLab (VFL) will engage consultant Cara Eastcott to undertake an organizational transformation project to restructure VFL's operations, share a resource with the arts sector on managing a Deaf and disability arts organization and develop a pilot training program.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Persons with disabilities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The score is in support of VibraFusionLab which is considered a new applicant to the City Enrichment Fund. This organization explores accessible art forms and language of communication through multi-sensory technologies. Their capacity building plan will assist the organization in transition planning and restructuring.



REF: MYF - CS - A1

# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour (N2N)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services
FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter
PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Neighbour to Neighbour - Home Delivery
2025 CEF REQUEST: \$16,696
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$100,340

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$16,696

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Neighbour to Neighbour Centre offers a Home Delivery program for eligible clients requiring food bank service but are unable to access our location due to medical challenges such as debilitating illness or injury. Housebound clients (who live on Hamilton Mountain) are provided delivery of healthy groceries to their homes once a month. The Home Deliveries are offered Tuesday – Fridays.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children and families.



REF: MYF - CS - A2

## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Good Shepherd Centres Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Marketplace 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$455,928 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,519,761 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$71,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Marketplace at the Good Shepherd Venture Centre is a one-stop shop for emergency food, clothing, small housewares, baby formula and diapers for low-income households in the Hamilton community. In addition to providing emergency items, it is a conduit to other services related to health, employment and housing.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



REF: MYF - CS - A3

## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Greater Hamilton Food Share** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

**FUNDING STREAM:** A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Food Acquisition and Distribution Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$100,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$435,9667

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$57,938

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Food Share's Food Acquisition and Distribution Program distributes over 4 million pounds of food to hunger-relief programs in Hamilton to ensure food insecure households have access to healthy food for themselves and their families. This program assists 22 food banks and hot meal programs supporting 30,000 visits each month from over 17,600 unique individuals, 34% of whom are children.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Jewish Family Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Carol's Cupboard 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$73,558 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$249,536 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$36,960 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Carol's Cupboard is a Kosher Food Bank run by Hamilton Jewish Family Services. The only Kosher Food Bank west of Toronto, it is a vital program that supports anyone in need. Clients receive kosher meat, nonperishables, and fresh produce monthly, along with personal hygiene, cleaning, and menstrual products.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Other underserved people or communities: Jewish community



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour Centre (N2N)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Affordable Produce Market and Community Meals 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$70,286 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$234,287 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$48,271 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Neighbour to Neighbour's Affordable Produce Markets and Community Meals are food access programs running three times weekly. These services provide high quality produce and nutritious meals in a dignified setting to low-income, and food insecure community members living in the City of Hamilton

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, children and families.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour Centre (N2N)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Neighbour to Neighbour - Food Bank 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$28,482 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$401,929 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$28,482 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Neighbour to Neighbour Centre is the only food bank on Hamilton Mountain. We serve all of Hamilton Mountain including Upper Stoney Creek. Our food bank offers emergency food support for 5-7 days to 1,700 families per month who are in crisis. Our focus is on raising healthy food donations and providing healthy choices to clients who experience food insecurity

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children and Families.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

SPRC (Social Planning and Research Council) Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Tastebuds Student Nutrition Collaborative Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$71,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$108,5260

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$42,700

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Tastebuds, Hamilton's Student Nutrition Collaborative, is a partnership of community agencies and community members that has supported and facilitated student nutrition programs for children and youth in Hamilton. Hamilton Tastebuds supports over 21,350 students each school day by providing nourishing food options in Hamilton's 110 schools (123 programs) via breakfast, morning meal, lunch, or snack programs in a universal setting.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: attending schools in Hamilton, Youth: attending schools in Hamilton



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Salvation Army HHB Housing and Support Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The Salvation Army Soup Van Ministry 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,600 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$131,547 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$19,013 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Salvation Army Soup Van Ministry serves vulnerable people in the Hamilton community five evenings a week. In addition to serving a warm meal, our ministry team provides clothing and community resources, makes referrals to appropriate service providers, offers spiritual care, and provides a non-judgmental, empathetic ear for those that have been marginalized in our communities.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, recent immigrants.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Indwell Community Homes

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

**FUNDING STREAM:** A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Food Security Programming at King William Flats, Parkdale Landing and Strathearne Suites

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$37,540

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$233,048

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$23,589

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program will support food security programming for people at Indwell's enhanced programs. King William Flats opened late 2024 offering supports for racially marginalized people coming from chronic homelessness. Those moving into King William Flats, and those living at Parkdale Landing and Strathearne Suites will receive a daily nutritious culturally appropriate meal suitable for people with health comorbidities.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mission Services of Hamilton Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The Good Food Centre

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$50,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$697,715

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$38,625** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Good Food Centre is a community food bank located in the Lansdale neighborhood. Clients select their own groceries items from our market style shopping set up in amounts that they choose to meet their families needs. We provide a large selection of fresh produce and meat as well as shelf stable and canned goods.

TARGET GROUPS: People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Welcome Inn Community Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Food Access Programs 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$35,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$142,079 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$19,313 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Welcome Inn is reducing food insecurity by operating a volunteer-driven food bank, providing referral services, and integrating food literacy initiatives into all our programs, including those for children and seniors. Our hamper-style food bank provides a 3-day supply of food, includes translation services, and is designed to treat community members with dignity and respect, providing low-barrier access.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Recent immigrants/Newcomers/Refugees.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Essential Aid and Family Services of Ontario Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Infant and Toddler Food Bank Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$40,110

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$133,700

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,360

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our Infant and Toddler Food Bank Program provides barrier-free access to an emergency supply of critical nutrition and hygiene essentials. Diapers, infant formula, baby food, and other supplies as needed and available, are provided to children ages 0-3 in need within the Hamilton community.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: Ages 0-3



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Good Shepherd Centres Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Hot Meal 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$315,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,049,613 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$49,933 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The primary purpose of the Community Hot Meal program is to provide a nutritious, plated meal to anyone in need. Secondary but critical goals are to use food as an opportunity to develop a relationship with our guests in order to connect them with other appropriate services and to reduce social isolation through interaction with others.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Housing Help Centre - Hamilton and Area

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services
FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter
PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Housing Stabilization and Preservation
2025 CEF REQUEST: \$41,000
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$554,930
2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$40,870

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Housing Preservation & Stabilization Support helps individuals and families retain housing. Services include comprehensive needs assessments, direct client supports, advocacy, short term loans and referrals to support services. Services are part of the coordinated access initiative; a systems-level approach for addressing homelessness that provides a consistent way to assess, prioritize and connect people experiencing homelessness to City-funded housing and supports.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

International Association for Refugees Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Open Homes Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$49,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$181,013 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$29,123 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Open Homes Hamilton welcomes newly-arrived refugee claimants, a group that is underserviced in our Hamilton community, by mobilizing resources that are already present in our communities: host homes, volunteers, trained settlement guides, and connections to existing settlement resources. Our vision is to create communities of belonging with refugee claimants to overcome the systemic barriers and social isolation they often face.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Nisa Foundation** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Nisa Homes Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$50,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$372,465 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$45,750 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Nisa Homes Hamilton Shelter provides safe, accessible housing and support services for racialized women and children experiencing homelessness. The shelter offers transitional housing, as well as specialized services to empower women to rebuild their lives for eventual independent living. Nisa Homes works to address homelessness and promote long-term stability for racialized communities in Hamilton.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: under 18, Youth: 18-29,Older adults/ Seniors: 55 plus , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Living Rock Ministries

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

**FUNDING STREAM:** A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Emergence Food Response

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$25000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$144430

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$11600

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Stacey's Place at Living Rock offers emergency food access to youth (13-25) through grocery delivery and in-person shopping for food, clothing, and household items. Since 2022, youth visits have more than doubled, and there's been a 40% increase in individuals accessing the food bank. Many youth are newcomers with limited English, and additional staff is needed to support growing demand.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-25



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

De dwa da dehs nye>s Aboriginal Health Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Indigenous Food Outreach Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$61,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$264,496 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$28,670 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our Indigenous Mobile Outreach Program will administer a food outreach component. It will provide meals, snacks, and nominal grocery store gift cards to Indigenous individuals living in encampments or on the street. We will provide food supports to clients accessing DAHC services experiencing financial hardships to augment existing programs and services and allow DAHC to enhance to services we provide.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

The applicant is encouraged to meet with CEF staff to review their 2025 application and receive adjudication feedback to strengthen future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Food4Kids Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Weekends Without Hunger 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$20,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$301,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,300 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Food4Kids Hamilton is a non-profit organization that provides healthy food for kids with limited or no access to food on weekends or during the summer months. We are funded through donations , fundraisers or one-time grants and rely on volunteers to operate.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children:1200, Youth:500

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

The applicant is encouraged to meet with CEF staff to review their 2025 application and receive adjudication feedback to strengthen future applications.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Governing Council of the Salvation Army in Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: A- No one is Hungry or Without Shelter PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Community & Family Services 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$80,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$116,4540 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$31,421 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Community & Family Services serves those who are food insecure throughout the City of Hamilton, as well as offering programs which improve physical, social, spiritual and emotional needs. We offer case management through our Pathway of Hope Program. Other programs are offered to meet the needs of children, families and seniors to offer social inclusion and community engagement.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

The applicant is encouraged to meet with CEF staff to review their 2025 application and receive adjudication feedback to strengthen future applications.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Interval House of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Legal Advocate - Jared's Place 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$98,117 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$25,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Jared's Place provides supports and services to women who have experienced family violence and are involved in the family or criminal court system. Through legal advocacy, system navigation, court accompaniment, and access to legal resources and information, women are better equipped to navigate the legal system and are at lesser risk of harm and lethality.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Francophone, Rural and remote communities.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Interval House of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Community Outreach, Counseling, Advocacy, and Telephone Advocacy

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$20,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$241,500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$20,000

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Interval House of Hamilton provides emergency crisis support to women experiencing family violence, abuse and/or human trafficking, with the goal of reducing lethality and improving safety. Crisis supports are provided through a 24/7 crisis line, 24/7 monitored email system, 24/7 in-person support to walk-ins, and access to emergency shelter beds.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Francophone, Rural and remote communities.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour - Hamilton Community Food Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Intercultural Community Kitchen 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$1,954 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$59,847 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,464 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Intercultural Community Kitchen (ICK) is a weekly community kitchen program that connects participants who are marginalized and/or have experienced various forms of intersectional systemic oppression in their lives. Using nourishing food as a tool to explore culture, individual and community strength, this program aims to provide a safe space for engaging with others and building strong social networks.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area) (SACHA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Abuse Prevention Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$33,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$18,6828 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$26,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** SACHA's Abuse Prevention Program (APP) offers educational presentations, workshops and professional training on issues related to sexualized violence. APP uses principles of adult education and knowledge sharing, using as strengths based approach to allow participants to grow their sexual violence prevention skills. Workshops are interactive and thought-provoking where participants can safely explore issues related to sexualized violence and abuse.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area) (SACHA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Diverse Communities Outreach Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$23,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$190,328 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,820 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Diverse Communities Outreach Program (DCOP) offers unique programming that is specifically inclusive, culturally safe and appropriate for survivors of sexual violence from Hamilton's diverse racial and cultural communities. DCOP centres the lived experiences of queer, trans and cis women who are Black, Indigenous, Two Spirit People ofColour, including immigrant, newcomers and refugees. DCOP is safe, supportive & creatively driven.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Youth ]: 15-24,Older adults/ Seniors: 65+ , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official languaguage speakers.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area) (SACHA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Counselling and Advocacy Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$3,7000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$293,746 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$25,228 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** SACHA's Counselling and Advocacy Program (C&AP) provides individual, group and crisis support to Women, men, non-binary individuals and youth (16+), who have experienced childhood and /or adult sexual violence at any point in their lives. This includes rape, incest, sexual abuse and harassment. C&AP also offers anonymous reporting to the police. All services are confidential and free of charge.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area) (SACHA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Crisis Support Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$27,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$184,328 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$20,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** SACHA's Crisis Support Program (CSP) offers a free, confidential and anonymous 24-hour telephone Support Line to survivors of sexual violence, 16 years of age and older. The service is also available to family or friends of survivors and community professionals. The line is available in over 300 languages and offers accompaniment to hospital and police and assistance with transportation.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Phoenix Place VAW Residential Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$210,557 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$11,577 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Phoenix Place Violence Against Women Residential Program offers shelter with wraparound supports for up to one year for women with or without children who are fleeing domestic violence. Phoenix Place operates out of a confidential residential location in the core of Hamilton and contains offices, communal space, 5 apartments of varying sizes, and a garden for residents.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: JOIN – Immigration & Settlement Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$43,874 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$950,101 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$24,090 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The JOIN Program is an immigration and settlement program designed specifically for newcomer Women, youth and gender-diverse folks ages 15+. JOIN offers comprehensive, multi-tiered settlement supports, including employment and housing supports, culturally sensitive counselling, accessing child care, supporting asylum seekers, and systems navigation. It directly supports the health, safety, and success of newcomers, and fosters equity, diversity, inclusion and belonging.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: STARS PROGRAM 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$123,479 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,050 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The STARS (Sex Trade Alternatives, Resources and Services) program provides drop-in hours/support for women and gender-diverse people who are involved in sex-work and victims/survivors of human trafficking. The program allows participants to access a safe, inclusive, nonjudgmental space where staff provide individual and group counselling, as well as wraparound supports, promoting better health and safety outcomes.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Distress Centre Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: TeleCheck Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$4,7337 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$8,400 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** TeleCheck is an outbound call program providing a proactive approach to mental health support by conducting regular prescheduled phone check-ins with clients who have signed up. The program runs Monday - Friday from 9am - 5pm. Clients receive calls at intervals based on their needs (daily, bi-weekly, weekly). Clients can access this support for as long as they need, no time limit. Distress Centre Halton continues to grow service offerings to Hamilton residents.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mission Services of Hamilton Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Willow's Place 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$35,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,779,717 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$27,038 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Willow's Place is Mission Services women's respite centre. We provide a safe place for women and gender diverse people to rest, get healthy meals, take a shower, do their laundry and participate in structured group activities. There are also opportunities for clients to meet with Systems Navigators and receive referrals to other services.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Good Shepherd Centres Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 2nd Stage Housing Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$56,619 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$388,254 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$46,055 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The 2nd Stage Housing program offers women and their children a place of safety and refuge when they have experienced genderbased violence. The program provides women and children temporary and safe subsidized housing, with intensive case management supports, that assist them in healing from experiences of trauma and violence.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Interval House of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Women's Centre of Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$36,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$346,138 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$36,000 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Peer Support Program is offered through Women's Centre of Hamilton and empowers survivors of gender-based violence by providing peer support training. With new counselling and support skills in hand, peer support workers are able to support women who are accessing other services provided by Women's Centre of Hamilton for support with peer counselling and court accompaniment.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Francophone, Rural and remote communities.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Lynwood Charlton Centre - Thrive Child & Youth

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: B - Everyone Feels Safe PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Child and Youth Trauma Services 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$68,620 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$395,086 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$68,620 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program provides comprehensive assessment and specialized treatment to children and youth who have been sexually abused, or who are dealing with concerning sexualized behaviours, including intrafamilial sexual abuse. The program entails offering strategies and feedback sessions to caregivers and family members to continue supporting the children and youth at home to ensure their ongoing recovery and safety.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 5 to 12, Youth: 12 to 18



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grand Erie, Hamilton and Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Group Mentoring for Female-Identifying Youth 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$32,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$166,280 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$20,858 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our group mentoring program interventions promotes positive self-esteem, confidence, peer support, healthy active living, and positive mental health. This mentoring-based group program, takes place within schools after school hours or at lunch time and, is intended for students in grades 2-8 and is open to self-identifying girls and non-binary youth.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 6-12, Youth: 13-18, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grand Erie, Hamilton and Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Group Mentoring for Male-Identifying Youth 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$32,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$150,780 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$24,720 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our group mentoring program interventions promotes positive self-esteem, confidence, peer support, healthy active living, and positive mental health. This mentoring-based group program, takes place within schools after school hours or at lunch time and, is intended for students in grades 2-8 and is open to self-identifying males and non-binary youth.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 6-12, Youth: 13-18



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grand Erie, Hamilton and Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Exploring Our Roots - Formerly called BIPOC Mentorship

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$17,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$74,688

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,575

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Exploring Our Roots provides racialized youth a space to discuss personal identity while learning to celebrate and embrace their own culture, uniqueness and diversity, as well as developing respect and acceptance for others. Youth establish social connections and build positive mentoring relationships, build self-esteem and positive self-identity.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Children: 6-12, Youth: 13-18, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

CityKidz

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: CityKidz Saturday Program 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$24,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$855,829 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,064 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** CityKidz Saturday is the founding program of the organization. Children, from Hamilton's lowest income communities are bused into our CityKidz Studio Theatre where they are fed, entertained, engage in activities and are taught positive values. Each child is visited, on their doorsteps, where relationships are developed. Children receive gifts from their CityKidz friends for their birthday and Christmas.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: Ages 6 to 11, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Immigrants Working Centre (IWC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: IWC Childcare Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$26,776 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$811,512 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$25,147 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The IWC Childcare Program empowers Hamilton's immigrant and refugee families by providing quality childcare, enabling parents to engage fully in settlement and skills-development programs. Children benefit from enriching activities that support healthy development and school readiness. This essential service helps families integrate socially and economically, strengthening their participation in Hamilton's community and reducing reliance on social assistance

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers, Francophone.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour Centre (N2N)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: N2N Food Skills for Kids Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$32,171 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$107239 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$25965 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Neighbour to Neighbour's Food Skills for Children programming focuses on learning where food comes from and understanding how to make healthy food choices. We teach gardening and cooking skills and encourage imaginative, physically active outdoor play. Priority is given to children/families living on low-incomes who experience barriers to accessing paid children's programming.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: aged 6 to 12 years, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Baby Depot

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Project Digity- 350 Babies 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$56,464 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$270,100 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,250 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Baby Depot will provide 350 babies (ages 0 to 2) facing barriers with access to a year's worth of clothing, baby gear such as a playpen, stroller, etc., one bag of baby essentials, i.e., shampoo, wipes, Vaseline, baby lotion, etc., and one box of diapers. All in order to help babies thrive and fill financial gaps.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 0 to 2, Recent immigrants.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grand Erie, Hamilton and Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: One-On-One Mentoring Interventions 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$42,315 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$245,867 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,849 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** One-to-One Mentoring pairs a young person with a caring consistent role-model These pairs, or matches, are designed to be what the Search Institute® calls a Developmental Relationship. By being more intentional in our construction and support of these relationships, young people better understand who they are and can begin to cultivate abilities to shape their own lives

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 6-12, Youth: 13-18.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grand Erie, Hamilton and Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: ALLIES - PRISM 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$85,180 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12810 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** ALLIES - PRISM (Pride, Respect, Identity, Safety, and Mentoring) is a mentoring program for the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. Young people and adult mentors who both identify as 2SLGBTQIA+, and would like a 2SLGBTQIA+ match, are connected for a one-on-one mentoring relationship. ALLIES is a group-based version of the program available to run in elementary schools.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Children: 6-12, Youth: 13-18.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Elliott Height Baptist Church

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Larch After School Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$117,647 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12,200 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** To assist children and families of our community in a practical and tangible way by providing after school assistance in the areas of nutrition, literacy, numeracy, physical activity, homework assistance and emotional support dealing with conflict resolution and everyday life situations through CPR sessions (Caring, Purpose, Responsibility). Our program provides a poverty alleviation program assisting financially in various areas.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: Grades 3 – 10.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton East Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Parent Outreach 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$39,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$205,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$39,000 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We provide safe, welcoming environments and opportunities for isolated and marginalized parents/caregivers to develop their knowledge and understanding of child development, community resources, and their own skills and abilities. Our programming also assists parents/caregivers with specific issues around financial literacy, food security, continued education, and employment. These include newcomer, Indigenous, low-income, 2S & LGBTQIA, single-parent, socially isolated, and racialized families.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 0-6, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Lynwood Charlton Centre - Thrive Child & Youth

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: OASIS Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$22,667 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$169,323 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$22,666 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The OASIS program offers specialized mental health services to immigrant and refugee children, youth, and their families who have experienced trauma in another country, while on their journey to Canada, or while in Canada. Trauma treatment is provided to families experiencing many challenges including acculturation stress, language barriers, instability due to immigration status, and revictimization due to their minority identity.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target, Children: 5-12, Youth: 12-18



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mishka Social Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Sanad 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,760 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$73,800 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,660 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Sanad program offers personalized one-onone social support through culturally informed case management. Our community service workers assist newcomers, immigrants, and refugees, developing tailored support plans to address issues like housing, financial stress, family dynamics, developmental disabilities, mental health, and domestic violence. We emphasize cultural sensitivity, ensuring effective navigation of complex social challenges for individuals and families on our waitlist.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 0-12, Youth 13-24, Older adults.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Nanny Angel Network now operating as Nankind

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Nankind Program for At-Risk Hamilton Children and Families Affected by Parental Cancer

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$108,225

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$23,175

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** When parents get cancer, family life gets disrupted. Children are at-risk of depression, self-harm and mental-health challenges. Nankind's Program for Children gives children tools to cope with their parents' cancer. Program is delivered by certified Child Life Specialists and highly trained volunteer Nankind Angels to help families in crisis maintain normalcy and build children's resiliency and families' overall well-being.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 0-16, Youth: 12-16, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

BGC Hamilton-Halton (Boys and Girls Club)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Outreach 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$31,050 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$141,900 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$31,050 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We offer free drop in programs in partnership with City Housing Hamilton and Kiwanis Homes in different locations across the city including Roxanne and Sanford. The goal of these programs are to reflect the various needs of each unique community and in turn facilitate programs that support children, youth and families in achieving their recreation related goals.

TARGET GROUPS: Women, Children: 7-13, Youth: 14-24.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Safe Families Canada, Hamilton Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Families Supported and Sustained 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$40,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$222,371 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$19095 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Safe Families is creating a world where children are safe and families are together. We're on a mission to transform families and ensure no family will face a crisis alone. Volunteers, known as the Circle of Support, are motivated to practice hospitality, generosity, and compassion as we support families in crisis while they get back on their feet.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 0-18, Youth: 18-24,Older adults/ Seniors: 24-99, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Living Rock Ministries

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Wellness Works 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$36,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$126,840 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$26,185 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Wellness Works program promotes wellness and community for pregnant and parenting youth under 26, addressing challenges like poverty, food insecurity, and mental health. We offer 1-1 case management to prepare youth for parenting or support young parents. The program connects youth to other Living Rock Ministries programs and provides group sessions, community, and incentives like diapers and hygiene products.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-25

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wesley

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: C - Every Child and Family Thrives PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Wesley Children & Families Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$45,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$170,458 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$34,570 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Wesley Children and Family Services provide children residing in high risk communities the opportunity to participate in pro social and physical literacy activities after school and during school breaks. Wesley also hosts two special community events for children, youth and their parents/caregivers annually: An International Children's Day event and a Canada Day Multicultural celebration.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 4-12.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

AY Alternatives for Youth Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: AY Outreach 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,047 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$155,522 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$26,347 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** AY provides evidence-based substance use and mental health treatment for youth, offering on-site services in schools and community settings to reduce barriers. Committed to diversity, inclusion, and collaboration, AY tailors care to individual needs, emphasizing adaptability and innovation. Our programs prioritize client engagement, aligning with the diverse needs of Hamilton's youth.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth: 12-25,Older adults/ Seniors: Parents,



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

AY Alternatives for Youth Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Street Involved Outreach 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$40,625 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$180,625 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$40,625 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** AY provides community based substance use and concurrent mental health treatment to street involved youth within local agencies where they are accessing support services. The program's philosophy states treatment must be customized to meet individual needs, respect client choice and promote improved health and well-being. It demonstrates AY's values of diversity and inclusion, youth wisdom and experience, adaptability and innovation.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth: 12-25



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

AY Alternatives for Youth Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Parent Education, Support and Skills Development Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$14,303

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$74,303

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$14,303

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Parent Education, Support and Skills Development Program provides services to families of youth engaging in substance use and experiencing concurrent mental health concerns, regardless if they're ready to access treatment themselves. Services include telephone consultation, individual and/or group counselling sessions. AY commenced providing this comprehensive range of services for families in response to an identified gap in community services.

TARGET GROUPS: Older adults/ Seniors: Parents.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Eagle's Nest Association of Waterdown

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Youth Therapy

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$25,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$117,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$11,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our Youth Therapy program provides six fully subsidized therapy sessions for at-risk youth aged 12-18 in Hamilton, with options for additional sessions. We offer flexible delivery (online, in-person, or by phone) to meet individual needs.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 12-18 years old.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Liberty For Youth

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Bright Choices 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$62,318 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$207,725 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$46,032 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Bright Choices is a prevention and intervention mentoring program aimed at youth involved-in or at-risk of criminal behavior (ages 12 to 25) living in Hamilton and surrounding areas. This program assists youth in returning to high school and pursuing their education goals if they have been expelled, suspended, or incarcerated and provides tutoring, mentorship, employment readiness and mental health support.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Youth: ages 12-25, at-risk or involved in crime.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Sisters in Sync

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: BecomingHer 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$85,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12,690 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** BecomingHER is a 12-week series supporting girls aged 13-18 as they navigate the transition from girlhood to womanhood. We focus on building self-esteem, emotional intelligence, and resilience—all while encouraging them to define who they want to become and providing them with the tools to get there. Participants receive individualized support, including one-on-one check-ins, skills training, and empowerment opportunities.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Children ]: 8-14, Youth: 15-29, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Francophone.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wesley

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Wesley Youth Housing 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$60,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$638,529 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$32,045 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Wesley Youth Housing is a two-stage residential program offering 19 units of furnished housing for youth, 16-21 years of age, who are experiencing homelessness or are at imminent risk of homelessness. The program encourages regular school attendance and/or employment and a willingness to participate in the development of the skills required for living independently in the community.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 16-21 homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mission Services of Hamilton inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Youth Afterschool Meal Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$140,448 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$27,038 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Youth Afterschool Meal Program (YAMP) serves youths from low socio-economic backgrounds and teaches food skills and helps build community. YAMP is also the staging ground for our healthy meal program for youth. The program provides hot meals for an average of 45 youths each weekday as well as bagged lunches for them to take home during the school year.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: ages 10-14



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour - Hamilton Community Food Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Youth Kitchens and Supports 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$22,957 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$76,522 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12,211 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Youth Kitchens are food skills sessions for youth aged 13-18 offered weekly throughout the year. Experimenting with new foods, nutrition, food literacy and confidence building will be highlighted as we create a welcome, inclusive space. Activities will emphasize positive mental health and be co-designed with therapeutic elements. Drop-In Child & Adolescent Counselling will be onsite 9am-7pm for additional family support.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 13-18 years old, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Niwasa Kendaaswin Teg

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Niwasa Kendaaswin Teg Indigenous Youth Drop-in and Outreach

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$63,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$210,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$47,725

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Niwasa Kendaaswin Teg Indigenous Youth Hub located in Oriole Crescent will create an entry point for Indigenous youth involved or at risk of being involved with gun and gang violence. Niwasa, in collaboration with various partners will provide wraparound supports that include life skills, recreation activities, employment skills, counselling, culture and language, wholistic wellness, primary care and street outreach.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 13-17.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

McQuesten BGC (Boys and Girls Club)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: McQuesten BGC 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$18,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$95,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$14,884 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** McQuesten BGC (Boys and Girls Club) is providing barrier free drop-in recreational programs to children and youth and responding to the evolving needs of the community. We support youth where they are and ensure that they have access to caring adults, safe and engaging spaces and opportunities to grow and learn.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 7-13, Youth: 14-24

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Healthy Youth Network

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: What's Your Path Portal (WYP) and Speakers Bureau

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$29,800

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$108,276

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$19,063

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The WYP Portal opens the door to career exploration, skill development, and networking opportunities between students in grades 7 to 12 and local workforce members. Educators can book classroom speakers, create targeted career fairs, and connect students to experiential learning opportunities. Youth and their families can easily find the information and resources they need to make informed decisions.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: Grade 9 - 12

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Routes Youth Centre** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Routes Youth Centre Drop-In Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$22,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$257,100 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,320 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Routes Youth Centre provides free drop-in services, structured workshops and informal programs focused on supporting youth mental health, healthy lifestyles and personal growth. We serve youth ages 8 to 19 with a safe and welcoming space after regular school hours. Our services are one-of-a-kind in the Dundas/West Hamilton area.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: Ages 8 - 19, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Living Rock Ministries

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: It's A New Day Breakfast Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$104,580 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$21,045 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Living Rock Ministries' "It's a New Day" Breakfast Program was developed as the only open-access BP for youth who frequent the downtown; nutritious breakfast; positive recreational programs; hygiene care; computers and internet access; one-on-one support; referrals to programs internal and external. Through the Breakfast Program, Living Rockprovides a fresh start to their day and opportunities for a positive start.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-25

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Living Rock Ministries

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Oasis Coffee House Evening Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$37500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$172120 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$31500 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Evening program Oasis Coffee House (EP) seeks to provide increased access to nutritious food, community support, social assets, and social interaction. EP meets basic needs like: food, water, internet and computer systems, and a place to rest; psychological needs like a place of belonging and self-fulfillment needs like support for pregnant and parenting youth, housing supports, work-to-earn and referrals.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-25

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Living Rock Ministries

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: D - No Youth is Left Behind PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Youth Housing Supports 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$32,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$104,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$26,169 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Living Rock, with support from the City of Hamilton, seeks funding for a full-time Housing Support Worker to assist at-risk and homeless youth. The worker will connect youth to housing and wellness resources, provide case management (addressing risk-factors) and offer ongoing support through Living Rock's drop-in and meal programs, helping youth achieve long-term housing stability and overall well-being.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-25

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ancaster Community Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Meals on Wheels 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$6,100 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$65,845 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,571 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Meals on Wheels provides a hot, nutritious meal to seniors, individuals with physical disabilities, cognitive impairments, suffering from illnesses/recovering from surgeries etc. Delivered by volunteers to clients who reside in Ancaster (& outlying rural communities). Volunteers provide a social visit & safety check. The program helps seniors to maintain independence, reduces social isolation, and increases their overall well being.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors ]: 55+, Rural and remote communities.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ancaster Community Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Frozen Meals 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,800 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$86,400 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,031 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Frozen Meals provides nutritionally balanced, easy-to-prepare meals to seniors, individuals with physical disabilities, cognitive impairments, suffering from illnesses/recovering from surgeries etc. Delivered by volunteers to clients who reside in Ancaster (& outlying rural communities). Volunteers provide a social visit & safety check. The program helps seniors to maintain independence, reduces social isolation, and increases their overall well being.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Rural and remote communities.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Community Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Assisted Volunteer Driving Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$11,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$55,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$9,887 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Assisted Volunteer Driving Program (AVDP) provides safe, reliable, door-to-door transportation for advanced aged individuals to take them to their medical appointments. The program engages volunteers to assist seniors who either no longer drive, or who need assistance transportation assistance to their medical appointments. The program helps seniors to maintain independence, reduces social isolation, and increases their overall well being.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Rural and remote communities.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Banyan Community Services Inc

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Grocer-Ease 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$19,145 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$35,3349 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$19,145 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Grocer-Ease provides services to eligible seniors who live within the city of Hamilton. The program provides personal grocery delivery and an essential link to other services in the community. The program's experienced and trained staff take individualized grocery lists from the client, shop in the store of the client's choice and if required put the groceries away.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Older adults/ Seniors: 55 years and older - support Food security for senior who are no longer able to independently shop, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees,



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Dundas Community Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Support Services for Seniors 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$55,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$395,323 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$47,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program empowers seniors to live and age successfully within their own homes. Included are multiple services: Meals on Wheels and Frozen Meals, which alleviate food insecurity and social isolation; Assisted Transportation ensures seniors safely attend their medical appointments and receive assistance with grocery shopping. Friendly Calling and Friendly Visiting relieves social isolation and keeps seniors connected to their community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults/ Seniors: 55+



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Information and Community Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services
FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place
PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 2025 Flamborough Connects Senior Services
2025 CEF REQUEST: \$8,748

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$46,748

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,541

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Flamborough Information and Community Services (Flamborough Connects) offers a range of Senior Services to residents in the Flamborough area of Hamilton. These services include Education Sessions for Seniors, Flamborough Drives volunteer driving, Holiday Gift Program for low income seniors and Snow Angels volunteer snow shoveling. Flamborough Connects supports local residents by fostering engagement and strengthening community connections.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: Age 55+, Other underserved people or communities: Rural Flamborough Residents



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Glanbrook Community Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Supports Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$16,574 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$61,650 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12,803 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Glanbrook Community Services (GCS), a charitable not-for-profit founded in 1991, provides essential programs for seniors and marginalized individuals, including Meals on Wheels, fitness classes, Diners Club,

marginalized individuals, including Meals on Wheels, fitness classes, Diners Club, Euchre, and transportation services. GCS also offers referrals for cleaning, footcare, hairdressing, and home maintenance. Funding is derived from municipal, provincial, and federal grants, fundraisers, and donations.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Rural and remote communities,



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Glanbrook Community Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Supports Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$9,136 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$117,924 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$9,136 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Glanbrook Community Services (GCS), a charitable not-for-profit founded in 1991, provides essential programs for seniors and marginalized individuals, including Meals on Wheels, fitness classes, Diners Club, Euchre, and transportation services. GCS also offers referrals for cleaning, footcare, hairdressing, and home maintenance. Funding is derived from municipal, provincial, and federal grants, fundraisers, and donations.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Glanbrook Community Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Meal Supports Program 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$146755 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$19313 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Glanbrook Community Services (GCS), a charitable not-for-profit founded in 1991, provides essential programs for seniors and marginalized individuals, including Meals on Wheels, fitness classes, Diners Club, Euchre, and transportation services. GCS also offers referrals for cleaning, footcare, hairdressing, and home maintenance. Funding is derived from municipal, provincial, and federal grants, fundraisers, and donations.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Rural and remote communities.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Glanbrook Community Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Assisted Transportation 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$12,993 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$52,877 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,197 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Glanbrook Community Services (GCS), a charitable not-for-profit founded in 1991, provides essential programs for seniors and marginalized individuals, including Meals on Wheels, fitness classes, Diners Club, Euchre, and transportation services. GCS also offers referrals for cleaning, footcare, hairdressing, and home maintenance. Funding is derived from municipal, provincial, and federal grants, fundraisers, and donations.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Rural and remote communities



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Grace Anglican Church

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Graceful Abilities Day Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,781 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$110,781 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$13,921 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Graceful Abilities Day Program is a year-round two-day-per-week program for adults with developmental disabilities. Program participants learn and practice social, educational, and life-skill building activities, engage in weekly outings into the Hamilton community, engage in the arts, participate in physical activity, make lifelong friends, and find a place where they feel included and have a sense of belonging.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities, Rural and remote communities



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

St. Matthew's House

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Seniors in Kitchens (SinKs) - Senior First Response

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$65,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$146,2500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$25,875

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** St. Matthew's House supports individuals facing food, housing, and income insecurity. Through two main programs for food supports — Seniors First Response Team and Cathedral Café Drop-In — offering meals, care baskets, and social supports. Our programs link clients through food first, whether in congregate dining at the drop-in (all ages), emergency food deliveries (seniors), or meals recognizing various communities.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Older adults.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**VON Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Meals on Wheels 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$60,888 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,114,018 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$47,036 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Meals on Wheels program provides seniors and individuals with disabilities who are living in the community and are having difficulty in obtaining and preparing their own meal with a hot, nutritious, affordable meal. Frozen meal options are also available. Meals are delivered to client's homes by trained volunteers. The delivery also serves as a social/safety check.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**VON Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Adult Day Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$3,1314 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$948,634 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$24,191 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Adult Day Programs provide seniors or adults with disabilities who are frail, isolated, have cognitive impairments or chronic illness an opportunity to participate in therapeutic recreational activities. Activities are designed to promote socialization, encourage and maintain independence and provide intellectual stimulation. The program offers a variety of daily activities which allows participants the flexibility to choose what's best for them.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Adult Day Program at St. Joseph's Villa

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Adult Day Program at St. Joseph's Villa

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$22,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$869,191

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,000

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Villa Adult Day Program is a long-standing community program that provides recreational and physical activities to any person over age 18 years with any physical, intellectual, or emotional health needs while promoting independence. Program can provide supports for up to ~75 clients daily, providing respite for caregivers and aging at home to reduce and prevent premature admission to LTC.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Older adults/ Seniors: adults/older adults 18yrs to 100 years.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Good Shepherd Centres Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: SAM Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$68,940 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$632,085 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$54,321 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The SAM Adult Day Program offers daily social, recreational, physical exercise and mentally stimulating activities to adults with physical, mental or cognitive disabilities living in Hamilton and surrounding areas in two different geographical locations. The SAM East Program location also partners with a weekly Aphasia Program for persons with communication challenges secondary to a stroke or brain injury.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**VON Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Volunteer Visiting and Tele-Touch 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$53,235 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$244,679 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$41.124 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Volunteer Visiting and Tele-Touch offers social support and companionship for seniors and individuals with chronic, life limiting conditions, physical disabilities and low social/emotional support. Trained volunteers are matched with seniors to develop ongoing social connection provided through face to face visits or telephone calls. Matches are made based on similar interests to encourage companionship, socialization, mental and physical wellbeing.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

BGC Hamilton-Halton (Boys and Girls Club)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: BGC Hamilton-Halton Adult Day Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$13,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$334,066 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$8,796 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Adult Day Program is developed to deliver the community with an appreciation for individuality, life stages and social influences. Our purpose is to improve the overall quality of life and well-being through meaningful activities while in a safe and supportive environment. We aim to help adults and seniors in Hamilton discover, build and maintain their skills, abilities and independence.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors ]: 21 to 100+

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Salvation Army Mountberry and Meadowlands Adult Day Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** The Salvation Army Mountberry and Meadowlands Adult Day Services (Community Integration)

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,155

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$659,867

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,675

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We have been serving seniors in the Hamilton community since 2005. Our programs give seniors the opportunity to engage in social and recreational activities. We provide a variety of services including personal care assistance and offer extra support to those who may require it to ensure our services are accessible. Our program is a place to belong!

TARGET GROUPS: Older adults/ Seniors: seniors living in our communithy

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wesley

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: E - Everyone Can Age in Place PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Wesley Seniors Outreach Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$16,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$55,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$14,189 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Supporting and connecting Newcomer seniors to valuable community resources, by providing case management support and regular follow-up to vulnerable individuals who are new to Canada and who may struggle with language or other barriers. Our goal is to increase community connection and engagement and decrease social isolation for residents.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Older adults/ Seniors ]: 65+ , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Adult Basic Education Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Lifelong Learning Opportunities and Pathways

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$17,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$97,080

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$9,000** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Lifelong Learning Opportunities and Pathways program focuses on supporting individual learning pathways and informing the broader community of learning opportunities. We work closely with clients to outline multiple options to ensure their action plan is right for them. We support people to find the right program the first time so they can reach their goals.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ancaster Community Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Outreach 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$39,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$216,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$37,790 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Community Outreach program incorporates several vital programs and services including Information & Referral, Senior Supports, Family Supports, Youth Programs, Emergency Food Assistance (Food Bank), Holiday (Christmas) Assistance and new Senior Birthday Initiative. The Community Outreach program also provides volunteer opportunities for both adults and youth in Ancaster.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Connects

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** 2025 Flamborough Connects Community Outreach Services

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$41,590

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$138,634

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$33,037

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Flamborough Information and Community Services (Flamborough Connects) offers a range of community and volunteer services to residents in the Flamborough area of Hamilton. These services include providing information and referrals, promoting local events, connecting residents with volunteer opportunities, and organizing programs and events which benefit community members. Flamborough Connects supports local residents by fostering engagement and strengthening community connections.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Brain Injury Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Services - Community Capacity Grows

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$18,800

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$230,650

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,800

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hamilton Brain Injury Association (HBIA) provides in person programming and support services to brain injury survivors, their families and local community agencies. Each year new membership and overall attendance continue to grow. In order to continue meeting the needs of our community we would like to add more programming to reflect the needs of specific groups and service requests.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Council on Aging (HCoA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Seniors Engagement Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$9,150 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$376,259 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$9,150 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The HCoA Seniors Engagement Program celebrates the diverse experiences and wisdom of older adults, empowering them as leaders, volunteers, and participants. This collaborative approach enriches our initiatives and creates a vibrant community where seniors shape positive aging experiences in Hamilton. By ensuring diverse voices are heard, valued, and utilized, we enhance the quality of life for everyone in our community.

TARGET GROUPS: Older adults/ Seniors: individuals 55+ (Universal access)



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Trans Health Coalition

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Community Navigation Program for Trans/Non-Binary/Gender-Diverse Hamiltonians and their health care teams, families, educators, and employers

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$13,390

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$44,636

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,521

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The community navigation program at HTHC helps trans, non-binary, and gender diverse people in Hamilton (and those who love and/or support them) navigate local and provincial health systems successfully. This includes accessing gender-affirming care like counselling, hormone replacement therapy, surgery, and social supports, but also includes accessing any care and staying well "while trans".

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Rural and remote communities.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour - Hamilton Community Food Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Action & Advocacy 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$43,034 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$143,446 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$24,702 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** An annual training series connecting equitydeserving individuals to education and mentorship. This series results in a strengthened community care-based network through thoughtful activities and reflective discussions. Graduates are invited to apply for a living wage mentorship job focused on developing employment skills, in a role that involves systems navigation, organizing educational workshops and building partnerships.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Recent immigrants.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour Centre (N2N)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Garden Skills Programming 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$42,274 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$140,915 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$30,221 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** N2N Garden programming supports intergenerational families and individuals to grow their own food. Gardening programs include: Communal Garden Days, Allotment Garden, Winter Garden Club and land-based learning program with local Indigenous educators where Indigenous students and community members practice skills to grow culturally desirable crops.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: aged 2 to 12, Youth: aged 13 to 18.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour Centre (N2N)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Community Garden Networking Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$19,614

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$65,379

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$17,303

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hamilton Community Garden Networking (HCGN) program is run by Neighbour to Neighbour Centre to sustain and expand the garden community in Hamilton and support Hamiltonians in using gardens to build the community, enhance the environment, and promote wellness. The HCGN program provides support for garden coordinators, gardeners, and community members wanting to connect with community gardens in Hamilton.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

SPRC Hamilton (Social Planning and Research Council)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Social Planning and Research 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$73,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$521,140 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$45,420 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** SPRC provides local research on social conditions and works with others to develop innovative solutions through service planning, improved coordination of services, and social policy analysis. By examining and publishing local census data, SPRC provides analysis of demographic trends and reports findings to the community to help support service delivery. This also includes convening community conversations around critical social issues.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

SPRC Hamilton (Social Planning and Research Council)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Financial Empowerment and Tax Help 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$45,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$150,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$23,175 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Financial Empowerment Hamilton is a poverty reduction program supporting people living on a low income. The program offers free, year-round tax filing and financial problem-solving services, including helping people complete government forms to access benefits, financial literacy, and community referrals.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults/ Seniors: adults 5+.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wayside House of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Helping Men Recover: 13-Week Program for Men (Families and Caregivers) with Lived Experiences

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$35,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$120,783

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$27,038

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We address the needs of men who have identified an issue with mental health, substance use or both. We have 20 residential and 3 crisis beds to men with lived experience. Their stay at Wayside includes personalized treatment, 1:1 counselling, group support, recreational programming, relapse prevention and an individual transition plan to move into supportive housing or back home with family.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Cancer Assistance Program (CAP)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: CAP - Drive Programs - 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$87,717 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$392,390 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$31,080 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Since inception (1994) CAP has provided FREE practical services to ALL cancer patients. Services include delivery of home-health equipment/personal care and drives to cancer-related appointments. In 2023 CAP provided 11,823 drives and 2029 home-safety-equipment/personal-care deliveries. Demand for drives and deliveries is growing at an accelerated pace. Never have CAP's services been in such critical demand resulting in unprecedented transportation waitlists.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children and Families.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Cancer Assistance Program (CAP)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Cancer Assistance Program - Community Engagement 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$35,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$116,166 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,355 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Build awareness of, and usage of CAP's free services amongst cancer patients and their families in low–income neighbourhoods through the efforts of the Manager, Marketing & Community Engagement. This role will engage with stakeholders and families utilizing a variety of proven tools, including podcasts, to build trust and a presence ensuring barriers to access are eliminated thereby improving equitable access.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children and Families.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Dundas Community Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Community Outreach 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$90,494 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$11,099 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Community Outreach consists of several valuable services and events that promote and strengthen community engagement, inclusion and build community capacity. Included in the program are: Senior Crisis Intervention and Support, Dementia Friendly Community, Friendly Calling and Visiting programs, Income Tax Clinics, Information and Referral, health system navigation, local tourism and community education through special events and seminars.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Immigrants Working Centre (IWC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: IWC Employment Services 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$49,849 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$460,696 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$45,475 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** IWC's Employment Services provides tailored assistance for newcomers in Canada, catering to a range of skills and backgrounds, meeting the specific needs of immigrants and Hamilton's job market. Through action planning, job search tools, career prospect insights, and credential recognition support, IWC connects clients with employers, helping them find and retain jobs, and build sustainable careers in their new community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

St. John Ambulance

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Medical First Responders 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$12,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$52,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,880 2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** St. John Ambulance Medical First Response volunteers are specially trained, uniformed and equipped to attend public events providing first aid services. They are often the most important emergency responders in pre-hospital care as they are the first person to treat the patient. They are trained to effectively manage the emergency scene, reduce the chance of further injury and promote recovery.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Today's Family

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Gilkson Community Programs 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,484 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$84,948 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,306 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Gilkson Community Initiatives provide low-barrier, no-cost social, recreational, and food access programming to children, youth, families, and residents of the Gilkson neighbourhood. Programs are grounded in a commitment to responding to community need with strength following a model of co-design, allowing children, youth, and residents to co-create opportunities to explore, participate, and better their community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Community Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Youth Engagement Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$16,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$81,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,500 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Youth Engagement Program aims to provide a structured, centralized community program for Ancaster area youth and includes support for volunteering, skill development, employment readiness (WHMIS Training/Resume Writing), leadership and mental health. This initiative engages youth from the Ancaster community to provide youth-led, agency supported programming to engage, inspire and empower youth. 2024 marks the programs 5th anniversary in Ancaster.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-18, Rural and remote communities.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Excel At Work

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Mentorship and Financial Literacy For Black Hamiltonians

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$61,581

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,1656

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$35,264

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Mentorship and financial literacy for black Hamiltonians is a program that will focus on developing black youths, young adults and new commers to their full potential. The aim of this program is to provide useful guidance and advice that would impact the lives of beneficiaries and ensure that they are able to contribute extensively to Hamilton and the Canadian economy

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children ]: 7 to 12, Youth: 13 to 30,Older adults/ Seniors: 30 to 65, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Literacy Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Literacy and Basic Skills for Adults

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$8,100

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$340,669

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,844** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Literacy and Basic Skills Program helps adults build foundational literacy skills in reading, writing, numeracy, digital technology, and workplace essential skills, through one on one instruction and/or group classes, leading to success in work, life, and active engagement in the community. An individual learning plan is created based on personal goals, assessed skill levels, and identified gaps.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Helping Hands Street Mission

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Low Barrier Volunteerism at Helping Hands Street Mission

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$8,400** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Ongoing development and implementation of lowbarrier, supported volunteer program that provides supervision and support to community members engaging with Helping Hands Street Mission who want to contribute to their community in a safe and accessible way. We believe that each person has something to contribute and is needed in community, and this program will provide opportunities for all to contribute.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rotary Club of Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: F - Community Capacity Grows

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Rotary Literacy in Action Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$46,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,000

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Rotary Literacy in Action is a year-round program focused on at risk youth in the City of Hamilton. The program is a four-week summer literacy program followed by after-school literacy support throughout the school year for students in Grade 1 to 6. Our goal is to prevent learning loss over the summer while reinforcing literacy skills during the school year.

#### TARGET GROUPS: Children

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

The applicant is encouraged to meet with CEF staff to review their 2025 application and receive adjudication feedback to strengthen future applications.



REF: MYF - CS - G1

# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Canadian Mental Health Association, Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Evening Social Recreation Rehabilitation Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$28,015

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$132,920

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$26,681

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Evening Social Recreation Rehabilitation Program (ESRRP) is a therapeutic program that provides structure, supervision, and a degree of flexibility allowing participants an opportunity to develop their own activities. Staff are skilled in the areas of social, recreation, and rehabilitation programming. The goal of the program is to promote lifeskills development, mental health and a healthy lifestyle of program participants.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



REF: MYF - CS - G2

# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour (N2N) - Hamilton Community Food Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: N2N - Wellness, Mindfulness and Education Sessions 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$31,570 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$105,234 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$24,342 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Weekly wellness sessions that feature exercise and movement designed to cater to varied abilities. Additional complementary workshop sessions will feature art-based and educational topics designed to improve social connections and contribute to overall health. Educational sessions will focus on a variety of topics that include skill building components and health promotion.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wellwood

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

**FUNDING STREAM:** G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Peer Support & Navigation for Cancer Patients & Families/Caregivers

**2025 CEF REQUEST: \$27,300** 

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$218,100

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$27,038

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Wellwood is serving cancer patients and caregivers, presenting in higher numbers at younger ages, with complex needs and more advanced cancers who are trying to navigate a constantly evolving system and service-provider landscape. Emerging priorities include: advanced training and specialized supports for diverse and/or vulnerable populations; extended outreach throughout Juravinski Hospital & Cancer Centre; hosting JHCC's new Indigenous Healing Space.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Banyan Community Services Inc

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

**FUNDING STREAM:** G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Supportive Community Counselling for High Risk Families

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$26,800

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$44,9876

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$26,800

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program assists at-risk families who are in need of, but cannot afford, counselling services. Using an integrated care model, at-risk families are identified at intake across Banyan's wide range of programs. These families are internally referred to a counsellor who can assist in addressing root issues, connecting to supports, and improving family dynamics.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Dundas Community Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Seniors Counselling, Referral and Support 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$9,7000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,752 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Counselling and Referral Support program provides barrier-free access to vital support services which enhance and improve the quality of life for seniors. Our program provides older adults and caregivers to barrier-free, no-cost counselling, timely referrals to other supports and information, and assistance with health system navigation. Seniors facing physical, emotional and financial challenges are supported through this program.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults/ Seniors: 55+



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Jewish Family Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

**FUNDING STREAM:** G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Jewish Family Services' Mental Health and Wellness Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$31,662

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$105,542

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$23,509

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Jewish Family Services' Mental Health and Wellness Program is a low barrier mental health program available to the Hamilton community. The program addresses mental health concerns holistically, providing culturally appropriate, accessible, effective mental health support and to promotes overall mental wellness. There are free groups workshops, and individual counselling with fees geared to income.

TARGET GROUPS: Other underserved people or communities: Jewish community



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Neighbour to Neighbour Centre (N2N)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Middle East Outreach and Settlement Support 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$71,001 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,332 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our settlement service is nested within emergency food, Community Counselling, Flnancial Advocacy and Utilities Support programs 35 hrs/wk, providing counselling and service navigation tailored to the needs of newcomers as well as persons experiencing persistent barriers to settlement, and in commonly spoken languages in Mesopotamia (commonly referred to as Middle East) who live in Hamilton (Kurdish, Arabic, Persian, English, French.)

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers: Arabic and Kurdish speakers.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Shalem Mental Health Network

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Mental Health Support for Marginalized Hamilton Residents

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$60,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$400,545

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$23,175

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Shalem Mental Health Network's, Mental Health Support for Marginalized Hamilton Residents program offers up to eight subsidized 50-minute counselling sessions on a sliding fee scale to marginalized community members who have mental health challenges. Using evidence-based, short-term treatments, provided by registered psychotherapists, the program is low-barrier with a wait time under 30 days and requires no referrals to access care.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth: 16 – 24.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

YMCA of Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services
FUNDING STREAM: G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To
PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: YMCA Men's Residence Support & Health Clinic
2025 CEF REQUEST: \$37,045

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$123,484

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$28,618

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The YMCA-HBB Men's Residence Social and Mental Health Worker Program: Support Residents and staff by hiring a Clinic Assistant and Mental Health Support Worker on site. These roles will help residents with system navigation and support the YMCA in our long-term strategy aligned with the local Ontario Health Team's Homelessness Strategies.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: G - Everyone Has Someone To Talk To PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: CNIB Hamilton Mobile Hub 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$42,080 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,883 2025 FINAL RATING: C RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The CNIB Mobile Hub brings in-person group programming directly to people who are blind or low vision in their communities. It connects children, youth, seniors, and families impacted by sight loss with supportive programming while building a more inclusive and accessible community. We will bring the CNIB Mobile Hub to Hamilton twice in 2025 and serve over 50 participants.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

The applicant is encouraged to meet with CEF staff to review their 2025 application and receive adjudication feedback to strengthen future applications.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

541 Eatery and Exchange

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 541 Community Care Hub 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$53,410 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$182,247 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$21,898 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The 541 Community Care Hub is a communitycentered program offering low-barrier mental health, medical, and social support services to vulnerable Hamilton residents. Through local partnerships and collaboration, the 541 Community Care Hub provides a welcoming space that addresses health disparities and fosters community resilience for residents in Ward 3.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates excellent program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Community Capacity Grows Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Body Brave Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Revolutionizing Mental Health Recovery: Inclusive Eating Disorder Support in Hamilton

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$50,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$170,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$20,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Body Brave's Recovery Support Sessions provide free, accessible, and culturally sensitive mental health support for individuals with eating disorders in Hamilton. Offering sessions in multiple languages, including French and ASL, the program removes barriers to care, fosters inclusivity, and supports recovery.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 17-29, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers, Francophone

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates excellent program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS No Youth are Left Behind Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Food for Life Inc

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Food Rescue and Redistribution 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$275,557 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$6,150 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Food for Life rescues and redistributes over 4.6 million pounds of fresh, healthy food annually, supporting 11 food access points in Hamilton. With over 850 Hamilton households experiencing food insecurity assisted weekly, every dollar from Hamilton-based funders directly supports these local programs, making a meaningful community impact. 100% of the food rescued in Hamilton is redistributed to these local programs.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 30% of people supported are children and youth, Youth.

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates excellent program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS No One is Hungry or Without Shelter Community Services Category.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Micah House Refugee Reception Services

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Micah House Refugee Reception Services

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$50,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$185,600

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$20,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Micah House Refugee Reception Services provides emergency shelter, settlement services and a place of community for recently arrived refugee claimants.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 0-5, Youth: 5-18,Older adults/ Seniors ]: 65+

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates excellent program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS No One is Hungry or Without Shelter Community Services Category.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Welcome Inn Community Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Seniors Congregate Dining and Visitation Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$40,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$202,141 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$16,400 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** For at-risk seniors, Welcome Inn is alleviating the effects of poverty and isolation through our congregate dining and visitation programs. The Diners Club includes a weekly meal, meaningful opportunities to socialize, and a wellness-focused educational component. The visitation program connects seniors with volunteers who help navigate health-care issues, secure appropriate housing, reduce food insecurity, and improve relational and mental health.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults/ Seniors 55+.

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates excellent program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Every One Can Age in Place Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**ABRAR Trauma and Mental Health Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Brave Space 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$19,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,400 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** ABRAR Trauma and Mental Health Services offers free counseling and support groups for newcomers and refugees of all ages in Hamilton, providing support in their first language when possible, including Arabic, Spanish, Dari/Farsi, Urdu, and Hindi. Weekly safe spaces are held for Arabic-speaking, East Asian, and Somali/Black communities, facilitated by professionals with shared lived experiences.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 0-12, Youth: 13-30,Older adults.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Everyone Has Someone to Talk to Community Services Category. Funds are being held pending the submission of additional information.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Eagle Worldwide Community Enrichment

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hope for Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$25,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,5039 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$9,000 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hope for Hamilton initiative supports vulnerable communities through five sub-initiatives: Hope for Families, Hope for Seniors, Hope for Newcomers, Hope for the Homeless, and Hope for the Holidays. The program offers comprehensive support services such as food, shelter, and personal growth opportunities, promoting stability, empowerment, and hope for those facing economic and social challenges.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS No One is Hungry or Without Shelter Community Services Category.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Eagle's Nest Association of Waterdown

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Eagle's Nest Rescued & Restored Thrift Store Volunteer Expansion Program

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$12,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$32,365

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Eagles Nest's Rescued & Restored Thrift Store Volunteer Program engages community members by offering meaningful volunteer roles for seniors and youth. Located in Freelton, the store sells donated furniture, household items, books, and clothing. Doubling our volunteer team will expand operations, increase landfill diversion, and continue to support Eagles Nest's mental health services through increased sales.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Counselling is provided at Eagle's Nest for those under 18 with parental consent., Youth: 18-29,Older adults/ Seniors: 50-75+, Rural and remote communities, Other underserved people or communities: low-income, under-housed.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Community Capacity Community Services Category.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Empowerment Squared

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: School Readiness Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$75000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$325000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$27000 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Empowerment Squared's School Readiness Program supports Hamilton's racialized, Black, and newcomer youth by addressing systemic barriers to educational success. Through culturally relevant resources, the program helps youth navigate racial discrimination, cultural differences, language barriers, trauma, and mental health challenges, empowering them to overcome obstacles and thrive within the education system.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 5-11, Youth: 12 - 25,Older adults/ Seniors: 30 - 50, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees.

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Community Capacity Grows Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Trust Building Community Circles Through Expressive Arts

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$22,500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,600

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This is a pilot initiative to use expressive arts and facilitated dialogue sessions to deepen community trust. The project responds to an emerging need for relational approaches to engagement that will serve adults in Hamilton interested in building capacities around managing conflict, expanding the ability to deal with discomfort, and responding to harms in effective and transformative ways.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Community Capacity Grows Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Munar Learning Center

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Refugee and Immigrant Parents' Engagement in the Canadian Education System

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$14,900

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$18,400

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,364

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Munar Learning Center supports Somali Refugee and Immigrant families by providing academic and tutoring support programs for children in school and creating bridges between the community, the Education system and service providers. We provide programs and counselling that help parents improve their understanding of the education system and become more engaged with, and involved in the education of their children

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Every Child and Family Thrives Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Shalem Mental Health Network

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: RE-create Outreach Art Studio 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$158,900 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,800 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** RE-create Outreach Art Studio, a program of Shalem Mental Health, is a free drop-in art studio and outreach program for at-risk youth between the ages of 16 – 24. This space provides a safe community where art is used as a tool for self-expression and to promote self-interests while developing skills that are essential to one's well-being, leaving youth empowered.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth ]: 16 – 24.

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS No Youth are Left Behind Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Speqtrum 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$136,964 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,800 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Operating under the umbrella of YWCA Hamilton's Youth Services, SPEQTRUM (speqtrum.ca) provides programming exclusively for 2SLGBTQIA+ youth (age 12-29) with the goal of fostering leadership, life-skills, mental health support, safer spaces, learning, and inclusion. Speqtrum is programming by and for queer youth, offering a variety of skill-building and community-building events, workshops, and activities each month.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS No One is Hungry or Without Shelter Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The HUB Rest & Hygiene Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The HUB Drop-In Program & Wound Care Clinic

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$29,999

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$97,200

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,800

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The HUB Drop-In Program & Wound Care Clinic offers essential services to Hamilton's most vulnerable residents, providing basic needs, wound care, service navigation, and community support. As a low-barrier, inclusive space, The HUB remains open after 5 PM when other services close, acting as a critical resource and connector for individuals facing crises and unmet needs in moments that matter.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant's score demonstrates good program delivery, organizational capacity, outcomes, and financial management. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS Community Capacity Grows Community Services Category.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Somali Community in Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Mending A Crack In the Sky (MCIS)

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$9,570

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$31,900

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,967

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Mending A Crack In The Sky (MCIS) is a community-led initiative focused on empowering Somali mothers and families to combat youth violence. Through advocacy, safe spaces for healing, and community response plans, MCIS creates opportunities for transformative change and safety within at-risk neighborhoods.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth: 150,Older adults/ Seniors: 50,Rece

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

The applicant is encouraged to meet with CEF staff to review their 2025 application and receive adjudication feedback to strengthen future applications. Applicant indicated that this program aligns with the CS No Youth are Left Behind Community Services Category.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Black Health Community Leaders Forum

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** "Inahita Kijiji Kulea Mtoto" – It Takes a Village to Bring up a Child Project.

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$21,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$70,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

#### RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This Program seeks to support racialized black/African and newcomer families in Hamilton who may be involved with the child and youth welfare system with the goal to reduce the number of their children and youth who are being raised outside their homes and communities. It is a culturally specific service delivery ensuring that children thrive within their families, and culture.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Children: Children in the the child welfare system, Youth: Youth in the Child welfare system,Older adults/ Seniors

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Free Laundry Access

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Free Laundry Access - Hamilton 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$29,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$95,967 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Free Laundry Access provides individuals and families who are experiencing financial challenges with access to clean laundry in self-service laundromats, by covering the full cost of laundering including: • Cost of wash • Cost of dry • Laundry detergent • Dryer sheets We partner with laundromats in major cities across Canada to deliver the service on site and in person.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rafiki Hamilton Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: No One Is Hungry-Culturally Adapted Food 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Addressing food insecurity in Hamilton, "No One is Hungry" provides culturally adapted food support to newcomers and vulnerable populations, fostering community connections, health, and well-being Key Services: -Culturally sensitive food distribution - Food vouchers - Community kitchen workshops -Nutrition education Target Population Newcomers, low-income families, seniors, and individuals experiencing food insecurity.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ronald McDonald House Charities South Central Ontario** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Meals That Heal Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,400 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$120,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Meals That Heal program addresses a critical need for families facing the burdens of caring for a seriously ill child. Every year, the McMaster Family Rooms, where RMHC SCO provides free food and refreshments, see over 150,000 visits. This reflects a significant demand for accessible, no-cost food programs, as families navigate the challenges of supporting a hospitalized child

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Stoney Creek Community FoodBank

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: A Critical Community Services Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$50,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$169,420 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Stoney Creek Community FoodBank is committed to responding to the needs of our community through food distribution. We want to be a helping hand to those in need. Generous food and monetary donations from the schools, local businesses, churches, service clubs, superstores and the public enable us to provide this service.

TARGET GROUPS: People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Centre for Diverse Learners

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services FUNDING STREAM: H - Emerging Needs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Neurodiversity Parent Support Network 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$51,486 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our neurodiversity parent support network will support parents/caregivers of neurodiverse students. We support families through our resource calls with education professionals. Families gain support with positive advocacy with their school, and referrals to community resources. This assistance allows families to receive the support they need promptly. It provides support to overwhelmed parents who are caretaking a child with a disability.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: we work with children with suspected or diagnosed neurodiversity, Youth: We work with youth.

#### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (HATS)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Community Services

**FUNDING STREAM:** H - Emerging Needs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (HATS) Social Services Support Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$72,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$240,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: DNQ

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** HATS is a Canadian registered non-profit volunteer-based organization focused on establishing a village of 25-50 tiny homes with wrap-around essential services in Hamilton HATS is earmarked to contract the essential wrap-around social support services from the St. Matthew's House (SMH) organization at a total cost of \$240,000 (See the attached contract.)

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness

### **PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:**

Applicant was unable to secure a site for their pilot project and not operational during the CEF adjudication and process timeframe.



REF: MYF - DIG - A1

## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Glanbrook Community Services** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Digital Program 2025 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$6,300 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$27,900 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,670 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Digital Program is a community initiative by Glanbrook Community Services that provides accessible technology training and support to seniors, promoting digital literacy, social connectivity, and self-sufficiency. Through workshops, one-on-one sessions, and volunteer support, the program bridges the digital divide, empowering Hamilton's seniors to confidently engage with technology in their daily lives.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers



REF: MYF - DIG - A2

## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Immigrants Working Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Digital Literacy for Senior Newcomer Women 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$13,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The "Digital Literacy for Senior Immigrant Women" program empowers racialized senior immigrant women through digital skills training, including internet literacy and digital tool usage. Tailored to individual interests, this initiative bridges the digital divide, fostering social inclusion, economic empowerment, and access to online opportunities through training in content creation and online business development, such as YouTube, e-commerce, and blogging.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults/ Seniors.



REF: MYF - DIG - A3

# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mathstronauts

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: STEAM Engine Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$20,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$167,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18,000

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** STEAM Engine is a co-curricular program for students in grades 5 to 8 to develop and enhance their digital literacy through hands-on STEM activities. In STEAM Engine, participants complete eight one-hour workshops during their core science or math class. Program workshops involve hands-on activities and projects that emphasize the application of STEAM, with a particular focus on coding.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: Ages 9 to 13



REF: MYF - DIG - A4

# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**STAC Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: STAC Digital Arts 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$20,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$71,644 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$18000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** STAC's Digital Arts program empowers underserved Hamilton youth with digital skills and access to technology. Providing resources like cameras and training in video editing and photography, youth document STAC's basketball programs and receive mentorship from local professionals. The initiative bridges the digital divide, fostering inclusion and preparing participants for future careers in sports media. Creating pathways to successful outcomes.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 14-19, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Okwera Academy** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Okwera Academy Digital Inclusion Hub

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$20,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$13,500

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Digital Inclusion Hub empowers Black Hamiltonians by offering digital literacy training, access to affordable technology, and internet resources. Focused on bridging systemic gaps, the program provides tailored workshops, mentorship, and tools to equip participants with the skills and opportunities needed to thrive in the digital economy and build a more equitable future.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 18-35, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Somali Community in Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Digital Empowerment for the Somali Community 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$30,150 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$13,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The "Digital Empowerment for the Somali Community" program aims to enhance digital literacy and access among underserved Somali residents in Hamilton. Through workshops, resources, and support, the program will empower participants to navigate digital tools, access essential services, and foster community engagement, promoting equity and inclusion in the digital landscape.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 6-13, Youth: 14-18,Older adults/Seniors.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Association de la Communauté Ivoirienne de Hamilton (ACIH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital

FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Access to Programming and Coding for Francophone Youth in Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$21,100

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$11,850

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** coding and programming skills are becoming essential for personal and professional development. However, many Francophone youth in Hamilton lack access to quality resources for learning these skills in French. This project aims to bridge this gap by providing a supportive, French-language environment for youth to explore programming, which can spark interest in technology careers and improve their digital competencies.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth: 12-18 years, Francophone



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rafiki Hamilton Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Analogue Integration to Digital for Black Community 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,925 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our vision is to have "A thriving, interconnected Black community in Hamilton, where individuals and families have equal access to opportunities, resources, and support, enabling them to reach their full potential." This program includes: 1. Digital Literacy Training: Basic computer skills, online navigation, and digital safety 2. Cultural Adaptation: Digital resources for language learning, cultural orientation, and community connection 3. Mentorship: Peer support for digital adoption and settlement. Benefits of the program: 1. Enhanced digital inclusion and social connection 2. Improved employability and economic opportunities 3. Cultural preservation and community engagement.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Immigrant Culture and Art Association (ICAA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Newcomer Artists Digital Branding 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23001 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Newcomer Artists Digital Branding program will create conditions for immigrants and low-income Artists to develop the artistic mediums of their art digitization such as blogs, websites as well digitizing for future marketing and selling the artwork online. The project is to create online conditions for networking learning and marketing

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** This application was not approved as it lacked clarity on its focus, impact, and alignment with program objectives. Engaging with the Program Manager for guidance is recommended prior to future submissions.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

North End Breezes

FUNDING PROGRAM: Digital
FUNDING STREAM: Digital Equity
PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: North End Breezes Digital Expansion Initiative
2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7000
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8340
2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0
2025 FINAL RATING: D
RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The North End Breezes Digital Expansion Initiative enhances the digital presence of our community newspaper through a newly launched online store, a well-maintained website, and active social media channels to keep residents connected, support local businesses, and engage the broader community with accessible local news and stories.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Youth,Older adults/ Seniors, Other underserved people or communities

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** This application did not receive a passing grade as it did not sufficiently meet the goals and objective of the Digital Equity Program. Applicant is recommended to meet with Program Manager in advance of submitting future applications.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Bay Area Restoration Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** School and Volunteer Programming for Hamilton Harbour Restoration

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$35,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$180,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$27,038

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** BARC's unique role in the RAP and across the watershed engages and educates many thousands through school and volunteer programs involving hands-on activities, lessons in the classroom, and training for community volunteers and groups. BARC's water literacy programming gives youth opportunities to learn about local water while trained young adults become advocates for sustainability as BARC Community Water Leaders.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Hamilton Harbour Restoration Programming. Funds are being held pending the submission of Final Report/additional information.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton-Wentworth Green Venture

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Experiential Environmental Education for Equity-Deserving Hamilton Youth

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$35,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$118,230

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$24,500

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our Environmental Experiential Learning Program provides equitable, authentic, immersive environmental learning opportunities to Hamilton residents with a focus on children and youth. Program elements include inschool projects, afterschool programs, co-op placements, and youth stewardship programs. We strive to increase access to nature and provide opportunities for Hamiltonians to get involved in climate action and make positive changes for their communities.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 4-13, Youth: 14-24, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees,



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Children's Garden Project Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Little Planters - Growing Season Workshops: Cultivating Young Minds

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$28,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$95,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$19,950

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Children's Garden's Little Planters: Growing Season Workshops Cultivating Young Minds provides 22+ free, hands-on workshops for children in Spring, Summer, and Fall. Engaging activities in plant care, sustainable practices, and Indigenous planting methods, foster environmental awareness, teamwork, and a lifelong connection to nature, supporting children's development as future stewards of our community's green spaces.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 0-14



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Trees for Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

**FUNDING STREAM:** Projects and Programs

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 2025 Trees for Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$2,800

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,915

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$1,960** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Trees for Hamilton works to increase canopy cover and improve environmental health in Hamilton by bringing together volunteers to plant native trees in areas of need, to improve the long-term health and well-being of all those living in our community.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton-Wentworth Green Venture

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Monitoring and Maintaining Green Spaces - Urban Gardening Club

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$22,687

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$98,310

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$15,881

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Green Venture's Monitoring and Maintaining Green Space Program will develop the Urban Gardening Club to monitor, assess and maintain over 17 Green Infrastructure sites around Hamilton. The program will also identify areas for improvement in design and maintenance practices, demonstrate the environmental benefits of green infrastructure projects to the community and increase public awareness and environmental engagement in the city.

TARGET GROUPS: Women



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton-Wentworth Green Venture

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Bridging Gaps in Energy Efficiency 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$30,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$108,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$21,000 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Green Venture's Bridging Gaps in Energy Efficiency program will empower Hamilton residents to reduce energy consumption and improve home energy efficiency through services like energy assessments, eco-home kits, and educational resources. The program aims to enhance accessibility to energysaving solutions, support climate action, and foster long-term sustainable living across the city

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Non-official language speakers: Spanish, Chinese, Arabic, Rural and remote co



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Children's Garden Project Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** EVENTS: Spring Garden Party & Fall Harvest Festival ~ Season 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$14,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$44,500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,150

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Children's Garden's Spring and Fall Community Events—The Children's Garden Party (late Spring) and the Children's Fall Harvest Festival(Autumn)—are dynamic celebrations that unite the community in the spirit of gardening and environmental awareness. These vibrant events showcase the garden's growth while offering immersive workshops for children and families to connect with nature, fostering environmental stewardship and inspiring future gardeners.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Garden of Repairs

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Garden of Repairs 2025 Programming

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$15,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$40,950

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Garden of Repairs is an active 500 square foot bioremediation garden at 125 Barton St West in Hamilton, Ontario. The garden and all programmed events are free and open to the public. The mandate and goal of our bioremediation garden is to promote climate education and engagement through public art projects and educational events.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Family Health Team

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Green Initiative Mentorship Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$20,614

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$68,716

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,307

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Green Initiative Mentorship Program provides unique one-on-one support to any primary care clinicians in Hamilton in implementing sustainable practices into their clinics. Being involved in this program will link clinicians with an expert who supports them through ideation, implementation, evaluation and continuity, along with accessing a wide variety of resources, funding opportunities and a community of practice.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

A Rocha Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Cedar Haven Bird Banding 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$14,900 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$28,815 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0 2025 FINAL RATING: D RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** A Rocha Ontario will begin a bird banding program at it's field site, the Cedar Haven Eco-Centre, located in rural Hamilton. With careful attention to scientific and ethical considerations, this program will contribute to knowledge of bird species in this near urban context. It will also raise awareness of atrisk species and the importance of conserving habitat for biodiversity preservation.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mind Your Plastic

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Projects and Programs

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Mind Your Plastic Environment Application

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$1,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$154,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** CEAP is a free program that we offer to students all across Canada to help educate our youth on plastic pollution and the importance of a circular economy. When teachers sign up we provide them with resources to teach in class, and free gloves and bags to conduct a cleanup in their community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Child

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The applicant did not present the necessary detail to provide a passing rating. The applicant is encouraged to meet with staff to review their 2025 application before submitting future applications.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton-Wentworth Green Venture

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Green Venture's Online Growth 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$15,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$27,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Green Venture's Online Growth will build a robust CRM system for Green Venture to optimise volunteer management, streamline communications, and boost engagement. We'll enhance website usability, making it easier for volunteers and Hamilton residents to sign up, discover events, and learn about programs. By simplifying the user journey, we'll improve event promotions and increase awareness of Green Venture's environmental impact.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Children's Garden Project Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Environment

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** The Children's Garden's Professional Development & Team Building

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$14,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$44,500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$10,150

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Children's Garden Project's: Professional Development & Team Building-As a successful fledgling, volunteer-run environmental nonprofit, TCGPC's "Stronger Growth" initiative aims to enhance our core team's skills and capacity to meet the increasing demand for nature-based programs in Hamilton's inner-cityneighborhoods. With funding, we will invest in professionaldevelopment and teambuilding to ensure sustainable growth, resilience, and continued success of our mission.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Ancaster Legacy FC

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Long Term Player Development

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$618,600

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Long-Term Player Development (LTPD) is a comprehensive soccer curriculum designed to guide players through various stages of their soccer journey, from grassroots (U4 -U12) to high-performance levels (U13+). The program provides continuous training, support, and guidance to help players develop their skills and achieve long-term success.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth: U8-U13



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Binbrook Bisons Minor Baseball Association** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Binbrook Minor Baseball Association Rally Cap Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$72,721

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,800

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Rally Cap Program is an initiative to enhance players' and coaches' first experience with the game. The program helps teams teach players the five Fundamentals of baseball in a fun and safe environment. The program is designed for young baseball players

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 3-8

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Binbrook Minor Baseball Association. Funds are being held pending the submission of Final Report/additional information.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Dundas Soccer Club (FDSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

**FUNDING STREAM:** Long Term Development

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: FDSC Follows LTPD for Grassroots Soccer

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$43,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This grant will assist with the costs of delivering Ontario Soccer-sanctioned LTPD programs to players in our youngest age divisions; a U8 Festival Teams Program; a skills development program for our U8-U10 age divisions; and a specialized goalkeeper training for our recreational, development and competitive divisions

TARGET GROUPS: Children



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub - Strider Riders

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,150

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub is excited to launch a Strider Rider (balance bikes) program for 2025. Tailored to the Active Start category of Cycling Canada's Long Term Athlete Development Plan, this program offers a fun and effective introduction to cycling. It serves as an excellent feeder into more advanced cycling programs, fostering skill development and a love for the sport.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: Ages 2-5 years old



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton and District Soccer Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Soccer - GrassRoots Soccer - Train the Trainers

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Soccer is the governing body of soccer in Hamilton, Brantford and Paris We work to support, promote, and facilitate standards-based soccer to grow the game in our region By supporting our member clubs, leagues, and academy we ensure they have the resources, training and ability to service their participants to the best of their ability

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target, Older adults/ Seniors: 100



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Aquatic Club (HAC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Swimmer Support Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

**TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET:** \$114,192

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,712** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** HAC is committed to the Appropriate Athlete Development Model, incorporating the four pillars of the Athlete Development Matrix physical, technical, tactical, and mental preparation—into our programming. Funding would be dedicated to enhancing and executing the Performance and Swimmer Support Program, ensuring holistic development and support for our athletes.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Children: Youth 8-18, Youth: Youth 8-18



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Aquatic Water Polo Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Aquatic Water Polo Club

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$24,950

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,712** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Year two of Master Coach program. Continue to improve the competitive capacity of club and develop the skills of existing coaches. Three additional coaches have been added to the roster for this season due to the growth of the club. Senior athletes identified for mentoring for future coaching. Continued development of Splashball program to assist with growth of club.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Cardinals Rep. Baseball Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Cardinals 2025 Season

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$346,405

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our program is to create an opportunity for Hamilton Youth to experience high quality baseball within the city, province, country and North America. Our program is designed to build players fundamentals, strengthen our athletes, create a safe and positive atmosphere while playing a sports. Our program is also set up to build players and prepare them for College or University.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Ringette Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: FUNdamentals Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,825 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,712 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The FUNdamentals program focuses on bringing new families and young athletes into our association while creating the foundation for its continued growth. We have a professional skating instructor that is helping our coaches to offer the most age appropriate and challenging programming possible, while continuing to create the family friendly atmosphere we have come to be known for.

TARGET GROUPS: Women, Children: 4-10, Youth: 11-19



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mount Hamilton Youth Soccer Club (MHYSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Phase #2- MHYSC LTPD Curriculum becomes digitalized

**2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500** 

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$15,700

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** MHYSC aims to enhance its existing Long-Term Player Development (LTPD) session plans by incorporating additional video examples showcasing equipment setup, skill technique demonstrations, and drill execution. Adding these videos will support cognitive processes such as thinking, reasoning, problem-solving, and decision-making, making them especially beneficial for adult coaches. This visual approach will introduce more advanced concepts and promote greater engagement.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Children: 1500, Youth: 500



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Saltfleet Stoney Creek Soccer Club (SSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Long Term Development

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: SSC - GrassRoots - LTAD Continues

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$537,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The SSC Club is dedicated to providing an enriching, positive environment for players, coaches and officials to achieve their goals through the sport of soccer. The SSC Grass Roots program is open to players age 3 to 14. This program is lead with trained staff and student interns that are fully versed in the LTPD model set by Ontario Soccer.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 1500



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Boys and Girls Club Hamilton-Halton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Let's Get Moving 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$502,975 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Let's Get Moving is an afterschool program that is delivered in partnership with HWDSB and HWCDSB in 14 different schools across the city. The focus of the program is to engage kids in grades 1 to 6 in physical activity, health and wellness and nutrition activities.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 6-12, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

CANUSA Games

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: The CANUSA Games – 2025 Marketing Project 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$146,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The project will be using the funds to promote tryouts through various marketing channels, reaching athletes across all stages and ensuring everyone gets a fair chance to shine. We're also focusing on enhancing our online registration system and keeping our website fresh and informative, all based on the feedback we've cherished from past participants. To do this, we're engaging a third-party company that specializes in tech support, ensuring everything runs smoothly. This year, we're thrilled to introduce esports, opening doors to a new generation of athletes and offering more accessible opportunities. By adding esports, we're embracing digital culture and connecting with young people on platforms where they feel at home.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: Ages 10 - 13, Youth: Ages 13 - 18



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Dundas Soccer Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: New Club Awareness 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$6,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,100 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,172 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This grant will help our Club increase community awareness of our programs and help remove barriers to participation by communicating information about our varied programs and the Rangers FC collaboration, broadly and in multiple formats. Through amalgamation, we have increased our membership and have begun the task of expanding and developing our programs.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, Children , Youth, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub (GHCH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Phase #2: GHCH's Learn. Ride. Love. Sport Awareness Campaign

**2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500** 

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$23,350

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Phase #2: GHCH's Learn. Ride. Love. Sport Awareness Campaign aims to educate Hamiltonians on the benefits of living an active, healthy lifestyle through cycling, and to assist with brand recognition. This initiative will continue to demonstrate how GHCH's programs cater to all levels of involvement, helping to make cycling more inclusive and inspiring Hamiltonians.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: U3-U12, Youth: U13-U18,Older adults/ Seniors: 19-80



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton and District Soccer Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Soccer - Match Officials Sustainability Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$39,250

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This focus must not only be as it was intended to be developed and implemented, but with more vigor to regain confidence and increase the Match official population This ongoing program is required to assist new referees with experienced mentors to assist in their first year of refereeing.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Universal access/ No target, Other underserved people or communities: Match Officials



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Aquatic Club (HAC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HAC Sport Promotion Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$40,383 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,625 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The HAC Sport Promotion Program boosts swimming engagement in Hamilton by promoting awareness, accessibility, and participation. Through community outreach, partnerships, and targeted campaigns, we highlight swimming's physical and social benefits. Using social media and in-person sessions, we introduce swimming as an accessible, lifelong activity, inviting people of all ages and skill levels to join HAC for recreational and competitive experiences.

TARGET GROUPS: Children: 4-13 years old, Youth: 8-18 years old



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mount Hamilton Youth Soccer Club (MHYSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: MHYSC/HUESC = MHUSC Awareness Plan

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$37,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Mount Hamilton Youth & Hamilton United Elite Soccer Clubs have merged to form a single nonprofit organization - Mount Hamilton United Soccer Club. This new entity will provide soccer ranging from U3 (Active Start) to League 1 (semi-professional). Establishing a continuous development pathway within one organization is essential for keeping children/youth engaged in the sport and promoting a healthy active life.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Universal access/ No target, Children: 2000, Youth: 750,Older adults/ Seniors: 250



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

PACK Running Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: PACK Promotion and Visibility

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$5,270

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$5,752

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,635

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** PACK Running Club is a middle- and longdistance running club founded in 2022. We are committed to removing financial and/or logistical barriers that athletes and families face participating in competitive athletics. Through carefully planned training with a long-term development model, our focus is running as a mobilizer – an activity that can open doors for athletes such as university scholarships.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth: Youth 13-20, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Routes Youth Centre** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Routes Youth Centre Recreation Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$257,100 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Routes Youth Centre provides a variety of youth recreational opportunities in the gymnasium attached to our space in the Dundas Lions Memorial Community Centre. On Friday evenings from 5:30 to 9:30pm, we deliver recreational programming for youth ages 8 - 19. In 2025, we aim to expand our programming to an additional weekday.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: Ages 8 - 19, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Saltfleet Stoney Creek Soccer Club (SSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** SSC - Advanced Development Program - A New Pathway

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$394,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** SSC continues to rebuild the Advanced Player Development Program for the GrassRoots players wishing to advance to the next level of play in the Player Pathway identified by Ontario Soccer The program objectives are delivering an increased impact to the youth players, but the program continues to deliver the core competencies required to get to the next level.

TARGET GROUPS: Women, Children: 200



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**SportHamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sports Awareness

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** SportHamilton Community Communication Strategy

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$30,477

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program will provide the opportunity for SportHamilton volunteers to grow, develop and promote programs and services offered with a strong impact to all Hamiltonians. This program provide more understanding and awareness of the official sport council for the City of Hamilton and its many community partners to access the many opportunities available for sport and recreational groups in Hamilton.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Dundas Soccer Club (FDSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: FDSC Builds Capacity

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$30,300

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Attracting and retaining coaches and referees is a need for community sports clubs like FDSC. Increasing our support for training on and off the field will help in the retention of dedicated individuals and improve the overall sport. It will help us to recruit potential coaches and referees and make them aware they are a vital resource.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub (GHCH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: GHCH Bike Mechanics

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$32,694

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** GHCH plans to send five (5) volunteers to the Winterbourne Bicycle Institute (WBI) for professional bike mechanic training. WBI offers specialized courses that will enhance GHCH's mechanical expertise, improving services for youth riders and expanding programming. This training will help GHCH build a skilled volunteer base for Team GHCH, provide maintenance clinics while supporting long-term growth and sustainability.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Golden Horseshoe Track & Field Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Golden Horseshoe Track & Field Council - Capacity Growth Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500** 

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$54,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Golden Horseshoe Track & Field Council is dedicated to promoting the sport of Athletics and serving as the collective voice for various community programs and organizations throughout the Golden Horseshoe Region. Our strategic plan focuses on ensuring the provision of safe, inclusive, and fully accessible programs and services that support our community's diverse needs.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 17-19,Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Francophone



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mohawk Sports Park Council

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Mohawk Sports Park Capacity Growth Project 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$127,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Mohawk Sports Park Capacity Growth Project represents a collaborative effort to remove barriers and rejuvenate an outdated public park, resulting in a safer, more inclusive, and accessible environment for our community's residents. We anticipate that our efforts will support the capacity growth and long-term sustainability of nearly a dozen community program groups that have rallied around this initiative.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 6-11, Youth: 12-17,Older adults/ Seniors: 55+, Francophone, Other underserved people or communities: Veterans



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mount Hamilton United Soccer Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: MHYSC/HUESC = MHUSC New Strategic Plan

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$29,750

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The new Strategic Plan for MHYSC, HUESC, and Mount Hamilton United Soccer Club (MHUSC) will focuses on enhancing player development, fostering community engagement, and promoting inclusivity in soccer. It prioritizes expanding youth programs, improving coaching standards & creating stronger partnerships with local organizations. The plan aims to build a sustainable, competitive, and supportive environment for all stakeholders.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton and District Soccer Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Soccer - The Player Pathway in Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$58,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,712** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Soccer is the governing body of soccer in Hamilton, Brantford and Paris We work to support, promote, and facilitate standards-based soccer to grow the game in our region By supporting our member clubs, leagues, and academy we ensure they have the resources, training and ability to service their participants to the best of their ability

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Children: ages 6 - 18



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

PACK Running Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** PACK Coaches - NCCP Performance Coach Designations

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,415

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$8,284

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,040

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** PACK Running Club is a middle- and longdistance running club founded in 2022. We are committed to removing financial and/or logistical barriers that athletes and families face participating in competitive athletics. Through carefully planned training with a long-term development model, our focus is running as a mobilizer – an activity that can open doors for athletes such as university scholarships.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Youth: 13-20, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Saltfleet Stoney Creek Soccer Club (SSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Capacity Building

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** SSC - Capacity Building Sports In the Community

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$35,500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** SSC has community programs for all ages and genders. We continue to re-enforce to all players, volunteers and staff that SSC has the programming for the game they love. SSC is committed to reducing all barriers to our members and encourage them SSC has Equality, Diversity and Inclusion for all participants regardless of economic, social, language, gender or physical conditions.

TARGET GROUPS: Women, Persons with disabilities, Children: 1500



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Boys and Girls Club Hamilton-Halton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Girls Sport 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$56,867 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Girls only multi-sport program is geared to female participants ages 7-12 interested in sport and physical activity. Girls will participate in a 10 week program, trying 10 different traditional sports with the support of staff and volunteers experts in each sport. A female-only environment will be used to foster safe and inclusive spaces where female participation is promoted and encouraged.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 7-12, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Brigs Youth Sail Training

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Welcome Aboard, Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$12,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Brigs will provide the opportunity for up to 60 participants to take part in three Group Sails in Hamilton Harbour to introduce our program to Hamilton youth. This includes a basic introduction and training on the boat, as well as allowing participants to get to know the city in a different way through an environmental and marine history Harbour tour

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-18



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Fit Active Beautiful Foundation (FAB)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: 2025 FAB 5K Challenge Program 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$198,532 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We are passionate about helping young girls from lower income communities of Hamilton to become strong women. We offer a very unique program that combines the power of sport (running) with a goal setting framework to develop the skills and confidence needed to live an empowered life. We remove multiple barriers to participation including cost, equipment and transportation.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: youth girls in grades 6-8 (ages 10-14)



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub (GHCH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** GHCH Gear Girls-providing Cycling Opportunities for Girls/Women

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$19,150

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** GHCH Gear Girls is a program dedicated to providing cycling opportunities for girls and women of all ages. Through mentorship, skill-building, and community events, Gear Girls encourages confidence, physical fitness, and a love for cycling. The initiative fosters a supportive environment where participants can explore the joy of cycling while connecting with other like-minded individuals who identify as female.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, Children: U3-U12, Youth: U13-U18,Older adults/ Seniors: 19 +



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Aquatic Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Jimmy Thompson Swimmer Participation Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$37,327

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Jimmy Thompson Swimmer Participation Program provides Hamilton youth a free, accessible path to swimming and fitness. By removing financial barriers, the program introduces competitive swimming, boosting participants' physical fitness, confidence, and self-esteem. HAC is committed to ensuring every Hamilton child has the opportunity to learn to swim and thrive in this supportive environment.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: Age 4-18, Youth: Age 4-18



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Hornets Rugby Football Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: A Gateway to Rugby for All 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$24,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This programs objective is to increase the ability of the Hamilton Hornets Rugby Club to further improve our engagement of Hamilton's marginalized communities and provide a positive life and family experience with a sports focus which is developmentally appropriate, safe, inclusive, and well run.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

I Challenge Diabetes

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Diabetes Sports Camp 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$5,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our Diabetes Sports Camp will provide children and youth aged 5-15 living with type 1 diabetes with safe access to sports activities while providing dedicated mentorship to improve their physical literacy, confidence, self-esteem and diabetes management skills to promote long-term positive health outcomes.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: Age 5-12 living with type 1 diabetes., Youth: Age 13-15 living with type 1 diabetes.



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Khayr Project Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Khayr Youth Soccer 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,650 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our program serves approximately 200 youth, aged 8 to 17, through weekly soccer practices and matches. This includes boys and girls aged 8-11. What sets our program apart is its unique combination of soccer and community engagement. This blend of sports and service helps youth build teamwork, empathy, and a sense of responsibility to their community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 8-12, Youth: 13-17, Recent immigr



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Liberty For Youth

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Prodigal Sonz

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$121,457

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Prodigal Sonz Program is a mentorship program for youth ages 12 to 25 that uses basketball to engage youth at-risk or currently involved in criminal activity. Our aim is to help youth transform themselves into productive members of society by taking part in basketball skill development, physical fitness activities and mentorship sessions.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: ages 12-25, at-risk or involved in crime



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mellow Queer Volleyball

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Mellow Queer Volleyball 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,181 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Mellow Queer Volleyball is a 'pay what you can' drop-in and seasonal volleyball league centered on community building, inclusivity, and the love of volleyball for 2SLGBTQIA+ individuals. As the first league of its kind, MQV creates balanced teams based on players' abilities and skill levels, not gender requirements, which promotes longer, more enjoyable rallies and ensuring equal playtime for all.

**TARGET GROUPS:** 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness,Older adults/ Seniors: 18+



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mount Hamilton Youth Soccer Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Free Kicks!- Welcoming newcomers to Hamilton!

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$16,850

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Free Kicks Project is an initiative by Mountain Hamilton Youth Soccer Club aimed at introducing soccer to newcomers to Canada. By hosting a free "Try it" Day, the program removes barriers to participation, fosters inclusion, and builds partnerships with local organizations supporting immigrants. It promotes diversity, physical activity, and community engagement in Hamilton.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: U3-U12, Youth: U13-U18



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Rainbow Roller Rink 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$27085 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3750 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Join us for Rainbow Roller Rink, a free community event hosted by Ottawa Street BIA! Visit us during Pride month as we host a municipal parking lot synthetic roller rink experience, with complimentary skate rentals and safety gear, skating lessons, performances, wheel-free family friendly activities and more. Wear your favourite pride outfits, chat with our community partners, and celebrate.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, Children , Youth ,Older adults/ Seniors

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** The rating is in support of the Rainbow Roller Rink. Funds are being held pending the submission of Final Report/additional information.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

PACK Running Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** PACK Summer Outdoor Track Season for new lowincome participants

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$18,834

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** PACK Running Club is a middle- and longdistance running club founded in 2022. We are committed to removing financial and/or logistical barriers that athletes and families face participating in competitive athletics. Through carefully planned training with a long-term development model, our focus is running as a mobilizer – an activity that can open doors for athletes such as university scholarships.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth: Youth aged 13-20



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Peoples Community Sports

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Peoples Community Sports

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$73,026

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Peoples Community Sports is a free year-round sports program that offers basketball and soccer over 4 seasons of the year. Players are divided into teams that are led by volunteer coaches who take them through warmups, drills, and scrimmages. Our program's aim is summed up by our motto: Free, Fun, For Everyone.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 5-10 Years Old , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Queer Hockey Hamilton

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Queer Hockey Hamilton

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,964

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We are a local queer non-profit hockey organization located in Hamilton, Ontario, established and fully run by queer players. We aim to keep the sport inclusive, and accessible by providing gender free programs and low registration fees.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rafiki Hamilton Centre

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: RUN FOR REFUGE 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Program Overview: To host a Run for Refuge event, focusing on newcomers & integration through sports Our objective is to promote mental health, well-being, physical health, and community belonging Program Components: 1. Recruitment of the community members and athletes 3. Mental Health Workshops: stress management, anxiety reduction 4. Nutrition Seminars: Education on healthy eating habits 5. Social Events: Community-building activities



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Saltfleet Stoney Creek Soccer Club (SSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: SSC - Special Needs & All Abilities Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$29,200

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The SSC Special Needs/ All Abilities Program is to allow youth and young adults with cognitive and physical disabilities with the opportunity to participate in the game of soccer The program supports the needs of the participants without a competitive environment - but one of patience, and most of all – FUN! SSC embodies inclusion so everyone is welcome.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, Persons with disabilities, Children: 50, Youth: 25,Older adults/ Seniors: 0, Non-official language speakers: 0



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

SOMALI COMMUNITY IN HAMILTON

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HAMILTON SOMALI STARS 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$41,550 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,712 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Hamilton Somali Stars is a sports and recreation program that promotes inclusion and accessibility through soccer and basketball for youth, adults, and families in underserved communities. With a 'Pay What You Can' model, the program fosters skill development, teamwork, and community engagement, ensuring participants of all backgrounds can access and enjoy active lifestyles.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Children: 6-13, Youth: 14-18,Older adults/ Seniors: 19-60,R



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Start2Finish Canada

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Running & Reading Club+ 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$120,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Running & Reading Club+ visionary afterschool learning program has been operating in Hamilton's Red Zone for 17 years. The program takes a creative, evidence-based approach to improving well-being, utilizing athletics to develop literacy and social-emotional learning competencies among lowincome/equity-deserving children. It runs 3x/week from October-June in three at-risk Hamilton schools, through a combination of in-person and online sessions.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: Age 6-12, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Steel City Inclusive Softball Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Inclusive Softball for Hamilton: Building Diverse Culture with Education

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$104,300

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Steel City Inclusive Softball Association is a safe and fun sports group for Hamilton's 2SLGBTQIA+ community to play softball and build community. We welcome players of all sexual and gender orientations, religions, nationalities, body types and abilities. Involvement with our league provides a community for players and local businesses who believe that the future of Hamilton is compassionate and progressive.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Wesley

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Wesley Youth Centres 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$91,300 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Wesley's Youth Centres aim to foster healthy relationships by engaging youth between the ages of 13 and 18 and providing them with a safe and nurturing environment. The Wesley Youth Centres allow youth to participate in programming focused on increasing academic success, building life skills, employment support, mental/physical health and wellness, leadership development and connecting to outside supports and resources.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-18 year olds



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Association de la communauté ivoirienne de Hamilton (ACIH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles
FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion
PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Francophone Family Soccer Initiative (FFSI)
2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,000

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,075

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** FFSI is a comprehensive community program developed to promote the physical, mental, and social well-being of francophone families. Centered around soccer, a sport renowned for its inclusivity and appeal across cultures, the program aims to provide a space for these families to engage in physical activity while fostering social connections, addressing mental health, and creating a strong sense of community

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Youth,Older adults/ Seniors, Francophone



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

D. T. Sports Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Volleyball and Badminton Coaching for kids

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$17,450

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,712** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** To make professional sports training available and affordable for young immigrant families with children, D.T. Sports club provides coaching for kids in volleyball and badminton. Our motto is Excellence in life through Sports, and we promote an active life style in young kids, teaching them the importance of physical activity, team work, sportsmanship and leadership.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: aged 6 - 15, Other underserved people or communities: New Immigrants



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Basketball Association (HBA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HBA 2025 Season

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$122,528

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** HBA is a house league, development basketball program for youth ages 5-18 in the city of Hamilton.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 5-18



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rosedale Minor Hockey Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Rosedale Minor Hockey

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$179,174

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,075** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program provides a safe and inclusive place to learn to skate and play hockey within the Rosedale and lower city community.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

African Canadian Youth Sports Network (ACYSN)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Accessible Competitive U8-U12 Soccer Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$36,500

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The ACYSN U8-12 soccer program runs from January 2025-April 2025, and June 2025-September 2025. We shall enroll children from 8 to 12 years old from the target communities for comprehensive soccer skills development. We have one employee -Youth Sports Coordinator . We shall offer the children the opportunity to test their soccer skills by entering them tournaments and friendly matches.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Children: 8-12 years, Youth , Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Other underserved people or communities



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Chedoke Minor Hockey League Inc (CMHL)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Sport for Development/Inclusion

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Chedoke minor hockey league

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$113,050

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$2,625

2025 FINAL RATING: C

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** the CMHL is a non-for-profit minor hockey association on the Hamilton West Mountain. We provide players a house league hockey program in addition to offering the NHLPA First Shift hockey training program for new players aged 6 to 10

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: give them a place to place and a chance to be a part of a team, Youth: aged 7 to 17 is our age group with the desire to help all be a part of the league



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Dundas Soccer Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Accessibility

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Soccer for Life

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$24,450

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** This program will encourage fun and fitness, and promote skill development, independence and self confidence in players with disabilities. The 2025 Special Soccer program will build on past experience and grow to meet the great demand for our special players, in a safe and accommodating atmosphere with trained, skilled leaders.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities, Children, Youth



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**TEAD Therapeutic Riding Centre** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Accessibility

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Subsidies

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,449

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** TEAD Therapeutic Riding Centre is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of people with disabilities through equestrian therapy. TEAD is seeking funding to provide subsidies to individuals who could benefit from its programs but are unable to participate because of financial strain.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities, Children: 4-17, Youth: 18-25



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Royal Hamilton Yacht Club (RHYC)** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Accessibility PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: RHYC Able Sail 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$6,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$21,756 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,753 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Able Sail is a sailing program for individuals with a physical or developmental disability from age 6 and 95. Our facility is wheelchair accessible. There are lifts for transferring participants into specialized sail boats. The program includes a range of participation from having a relaxing sail to the excitement of racing. There are certified and insured instructors and volunteers.

TARGET GROUPS: Persons with disabilities



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Aquatic Club (HAC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Accessibility

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: HAC Para Ready Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$24,056

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200** 

2025 FINAL RATING: C

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The HAC Para Ready program works to provide programming for athletes with a disability.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Persons with disabilities, Children: Age 4-18, Youth: Youth 8-18



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Boys and Girls Club Hamilton-Halton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Midnight Basketball 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$74,500 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Midnight basketball is 5-on-5 basketball program offered to youth ages 14-24 in the lower east end of Hamilton. Youth from various neighbourhoods come together, play basketball for two hours every Friday night from 10:00pm-12:00am. This program uses the popularity of basketball to provide youth in priority neighbourhoods with a positive alternative to engage in, make peer connections and stay active.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: 13-24, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Centre Francophone Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Les sports d'équipe en Français 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$15,000 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750 2025 FINAL RATING: A RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Centre Francophone Hamilton wants to provide weekly team sports sessions to introduce the community to accessible, safe and engaging physical activities. This project aims to promote physical and mental health, strengthen social ties and meet the needs of the francophone community, by creating an inclusive space to meet, move and socialize in French.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Youth



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Cycle Hamilton** 

#### FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Cycle Hamilton Advocacy & Community Engagement Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$9,915

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Our program is designed to engage new riders across Hamilton by providing accessible cycling infrastructure, advocacy training, community-building group rides, and cycling resources. Aimed at promoting active, healthy living and reducing car dependency, our program aims to empower Hamiltonians with the skills and confidence needed to incorporate cycling into their daily lives.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Dundas Terry Fox Run

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dundas Terry Fox Run

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,660

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Dundas Terry Fox Run, held annually on the second Sunday after Labour Day at Dundas Driving Park since 1996, unites the community in honoring Terry Fox's legacy. Open to all ages and abilities, this inspiring event supports the ongoing fight against cancer.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Flamborough Dundas Soccer Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Soccer for Life

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$6,675

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$26,700

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Providing a Physical Literacy pathway for our youngest members is our priority. In the past 3 years, we have introduced many new programs to meet the growing needs of our members. In 2025, we want to continue to grow and offer new programming for all our members (U3-adult).



#### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Free Play for Kids

#### FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Free to Play: A Barrier-Free Multi-Sport Program for Equity-Deserving Kids

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$172,150

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Free to Play program will provide 75 equitydeserving (i.e., low-income, racialized, newcomer, refugee, disabled, neurodivergent, etc.) kids in grades 3 to 6 with barrier-free access to sports at schools, right after school, in Hamilton.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, Persons with disabilities, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, People experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness, Child



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub (GHCH)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: GHCH Community Bike Rack and Bike Tool Stand

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$15,400

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The GHCH Community Bike Rack/Bike Tool Stand will be a public amenity located at the front door of "The Hub". It's designed will support ALL Hamilton cyclists. The bike rack provides secure parking for ALL bicycles, while the tool stand offers essential tools for bike repairs/maintenance. It encourages cycling, promotes sustainability while supporting the local community with convenient, free resources.



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Horseshoe Pitching Club Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Active Aging Through Horseshoes

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$11,530

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The "Active Aging Through Horseshoes" program aims to engage elder members of the Hamilton Horseshoe Club in qphysical activity while enhancing their skills and fostering social connections. Key components include: Skill Development Workshops, Health Education Seminars, Community Tournaments, and Social Gatherings.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Women, Older adults/ Seniors: Elders who were are trying to keep physically active and social for a better physical and mental health.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Knot A Breast Cancer Support Services Inc.

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Dragon Boat Sport Development and Wellness Program

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$43,550

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$7,500** 

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Knot A Breast promotes and supports an active and healthy lifestyle for those affected by breast cancer through the sport of dragon boating. Through its Health and Wellness Program, KAB helps members achieve and maintain a high quality of life through year-round fitness, exercise and engagement, in the dragon boat and on land and inspire others.

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** 



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Mount Hamilton Youth Soccer Club (MHYSC)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** Phase #2- MHYSC #Soccer4Life- Adding U15/U16 Coed Indoor Soccer

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$65,900

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** MHYSC's U13+ participation numbers in House League programs has declined. To address this, a new programming approach was introduced with the "Soccer for Life" initiative, aimed at promoting healthy, active lifestyles. The 2024 pilot was a success, selling out with a waitlist. Given this positive response, expanding the model to the next age division is essential to continue this growth.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: Soccer players that are born between the years of 2007-2012

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** 



### 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

New Hope Community Bikes

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Ride Smart: Enhancing Access to Cycling Education

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$51,050

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,750

2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Ride Smart (Cycling Education Program) provides low-cost, accessible cycling training to children, particularly those from low-income and marginalized communities This project aims to expand Ride Smart through partnerships with the HWDSB, Public Health and the City of Hamilton's Sustainable Mobility Team, by embedding the program into school curriculum, enabling in-school access without waitlists so more children can experience the benefits.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Universal access/ No target, Children: ages 9-12



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Fair Park Seniors Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Fair Park Seniors Association - Sports Day

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,400

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$10,450

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,034** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Fair Park Seniors Association's "Sports Day - Active for Life" program is designed to promote physical activity and well-being among seniors. This event will include engaging, accessible sports and recreational activities to encourage a healthy, active lifestyle, foster social connections, and enhance community participation.



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Bay Sailing Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Bay Sailing Club A4L 2025

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$39,449

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,712** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Through this funding stream the Hamilton Bay Sailing Club can continue to promote and provide a low cost sailing instruction program for adults living in the Hamilton community. Participants gain knowledge of and experience using sailing skills in either a 15' dinghy sailboat or a 21' swing keel sailboat.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Chinese Sport Associations (HCSA)

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Go and Play 2025 CEF REQUEST: \$7,500 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$19,127 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,075 2025 FINAL RATING: B RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Being physical active is an essential part of helping people well-being, physically, mentally and socially. HCSA's program promotes an active and healthy lifestyle through regular soccer practices, trainings and matches. This program also creates a fun and enjoyable platform for all players to interact while learning movement skills, developing teamwork, leadership skills and improving quality of time with family.

TARGET GROUPS: Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Hornets Rugby Football Club

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Junior Rugby Resurgence Initative

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$25,350

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$4,200** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** We operate several children and youth programs which have been accepted in the community. On going alignment of these curriculums are improving focus and driving participation. The vision of this program is to provide resources to better connect and revitalize the individual programs with a view of transitioning children and youth across the age appropriate groups as they grow.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: 4 to 15, Youth: 15 to 18, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Hamilton Senior Pickleball Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Senior Pickleball Association

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$14,475

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,525

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Promote/maintain physical/mental health. Socialization/activities for senior to maintain cognitive pathways. Volunteer opportunities to improve community. Reduce seniors isolation. Maintain fundamental movements that deteriorate with age & lessen chance of injury. Open/instructional play, classes, 1-on-1, rules, tactical-strategies. Positive environment for seniors. Senior social and special events Provide sense of purpose, reduce isolation, volunteerism, reduce effects of aging, peer...

TARGET GROUPS: Older adults/ Seniors: 55 plus adults



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Church of The Nativity

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Healthy, Active Vibrant Energetic Seniors HAVES

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$22,500

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$3,075** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** H.A.V.E.S. is a number of different physical exercise programs designed for Older Adults (55 and over) at no cost, in a barrier free facility, with professional instructors, that encourages socialization and healthy living.

**TARGET GROUPS:** People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Older adults/ Seniors: Low income on a pension only, Other underserved people or communities: Open to all older adults



## 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Living Rock Ministries

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Rock-in-Action

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$7,500

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$34,000

**2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$5,794** 

2025 FINAL RATING: B

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Rock-in-Action seeks to increase physical activity and social inclusion for youth which encourages a healthy, balanced lifestyle. RIA uses programs such as weekly community walks to encourage being an active member of the local community while encouraging positive stress management and coping methods for youth.

TARGET GROUPS: Youth: 13-25



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

Rosedale Neighbourhood Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Active for Life

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Active for Life

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$1,100

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$1,361

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$0

2025 FINAL RATING: D

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

#### PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:

TARGET GROUPS: Universal access/ No target

**PROGRAM MANAGER NOTES:** Applicant is encouraged to meet with Program Manager for feedback on application prior to submitting any future applications.



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# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

The Ninety-First Highlanders Athletic Association

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Multi Sport Hosting

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Hamilton Indoor Games

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$16,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$90,200

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$16,000

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM: Yes** 

MULTI YEAR FUNDING APPROVED: Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The Hamilton Indoor Games track and field meet is a true legacy event in Hamilton held in February. The heritage dates to our first meet held in the armoury in 1908. In addition, there is an outdoor elementary track and field meet held in late May.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Children: Grades 6 - 12, Youth: Grades 6 - 12,Older adults/ Seniors: teachers/coaches



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**Ontario Cycling Association** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Multi Sport Hosting

PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME: Paris to Ancaster

**2025 CEF REQUEST:** \$12,000

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$405,300

2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$12,000

2025 FINAL RATING: A

**RETURNING PROGRAM:** Yes

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** Paris to Ancaster Bicycle race is a point to point bicycle race and tour, offering events at different distances and difficulty to appeal to all levels of cyclists from novice, thru recreational, to elite racers. It appeals to all age ranges including a " Kids Let's Ride", which allows the kids to ride while parents are racing.



# 2025 CITY ENRICHMENT FUND APPLICATION SUMMARY FORM

**STAC Hamilton** 

FUNDING PROGRAM: Sport & Active Lifestyles

FUNDING STREAM: Multi Sport Hosting

**PROGRAM/PROJECT NAME:** STAC Hamilton Games

2025 CEF REQUEST: \$45,000 TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET: \$155,160 2025 CEF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION: \$22,500 2025 FINAL RATING: A

RETURNING PROGRAM: No

**PROGRAM/PROJECT OVERVIEW:** The STAC Hamilton Games, held in July 2025, will bring together clubs and organizations from across Ontario to engage youth in basketball, track, soccer, and cross-country. This multi-sport event fosters physical fitness, teamwork, and inclusivity, providing diverse participants with skill-building opportunities and supporting Hamilton's vision of a vibrant, active community.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Indigenous peoples, Racialized peoples and communities/ Visible minorities, 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples and communities, Women, People in poverty or experiencing economic insecurity, Youth: Ages 10-18, Recent immigrants/ Newcomers/ Refugees, Other underserved people or communities: Youths and families facing financial barriers