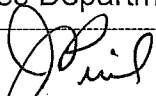




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CITY OF HAMILTON
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
Housing Services Division

TO: Chair and Members Emergency & Community Services Committee	WARD(S) AFFECTED: CITY WIDE
COMMITTEE DATE: December 7, 2011	
SUBJECT/REPORT NO: Food and Shelter Advisory Committee 2012 Budget Submission (CS11089) (City Wide)	
SUBMITTED BY: Joe-Anne Priel General Manager Community Services Department	PREPARED BY: Molly Elliott 905-546-2424 ext. 1782 Gillian Hendry 905-546-2424 ext. 4818
SIGNATURE: 	

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee's 2012 base budget submission in the amount of \$500, be approved and forwarded to the 2012 budget process (GIC).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Food and Shelter Advisory Committee (FSAC) is a Volunteer Committee appointed by Council. The Committee has prepared a 2012 Budget submission for approval in the amount of \$500. This budget request is the same as the 2011 approved budget request.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable
FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: The \$500 will be used for meeting costs, such as room, equipment, refreshments, parking and any other transportation support members may require.

Staffing: There are no staffing implications for Report CS11089

Legal: There are no legal implications for Report CS11089

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Food and Shelter Advisory Committee (FSAC) is a longstanding volunteer citizen committee that informs City Council through the Emergency and Community Services (E&CS) Committee of issues or policies that impact persons or communities for whom barriers exist to income and food security and access to safe, accessible, adequate shelter. The Committee also provides a forum for intergovernmental and community partner discussion on these matters, and ensures that the perspectives of persons and communities who are experiencing these barriers are taken into consideration in the review of relevant City policies and programs.

The objectives of FSAC are to:

- Ensure that issues, specific to people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless are brought forward and recommendations are provided to the E&CS Committee in a timely manner.
- Ensure that issues, specific to people who are experiencing hunger are brought forward and recommendations are provided to the E&CS Committee in a timely manner.
- Assist with the coordination and implementation of City Council approved recommendations.
- Collaborate and devise innovative, preventative measures to assist in addressing homelessness or hunger issues within the community and to provide those recommendations to the E&CS Committee.
- Identify emerging trends, potential gaps and best practices in food or emergency shelter service needs.
- Educate the community about urgent food and shelter needs through regular reporting to the E&CS Committee.
- Respond in a timely manner to requests for advice from city staff and the E&CS Committee.

- Liaise and collaborate with other committees doing work in the areas of homelessness and affordable housing and to keep apprised of relevant programs and initiatives recognizing the significant relationship emergency food and shelter have with other components of the housing continuum.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications for Report CS11089

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

FSAC was consulted regarding their budget needs for 2012 and is in agreement with the recommendation contained in this report.

ANALYSIS / RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

FSAC is requesting \$500 to pay for meeting expenses. FSAC has been fortunate that its members and associated agencies have often helped to defray meeting expenses. In the current economy, however, this is becoming an increasing burden on the members.

The FSAC provides City Council with a valuable perspective regarding issues of emergency food and shelter. FSAC is comprised of service providers and citizens with experience and interest in these issues. They are keenly aware of emerging trends in the community through their work delivering these services and their lived experiences. FSAC uses this experience to provide information to City Council by providing feedback to staff regarding matters of interest to Council as well as through direct reports to the Emergency and Community Services Committee.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:

Not applicable.

CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN (Linkage to Desired End Results)

Focus Areas: 1. Skilled, Innovative and Respectful Organization, 2. Financial Sustainability, 3. Intergovernmental Relationships, 4. Growing Our Economy, 5. Social Development,

6. Environmental Stewardship, 7. Healthy Community

Intergovernmental Relationships

- ◆ Influence federal and provincial policy development to benefit Hamilton
- ◆ Maintain effective relationships with other public agencies

Social Development

- ◆ Everyone has a home they can afford that is well maintained and safe
- ◆ Residents in need have access to adequate support services

Healthy Community

- ◆ An engaged Citizenry
- ◆ Adequate access to food, water, shelter and income, safety, work, recreation and support for all (Human Services)

APPENDICES / SCHEDULES

Appendix "A" to Report CS11089 – Food and Shelter Advisory Committee 2012 Budget Submission

CITY OF HAMILTON

2012

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES

BUDGET SUBMISSION

Food and Shelter Advisory Committee

PART A: General Information

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Voting Members	Non-Voting Members
Don Jaffray (Chair)	Molly Elliott (City of Hamilton)
Alexander Ramirez (Vice Chair)	Mara Fortino (Service Canada)
Maria Pelaez (Citizen Rep)	Rob Mastroianni (City of Hamilton)
Fernando Forero (Citizen Rep)	Carolyn Anderson (City of Hamilton)
Anne Wilson (Citizen Rep)	Michele Attard (City of Hamilton)
Thayra Marting (Citizen Rep)	Miranda Borisenko (Ministry of Community & Social Services)
Larry Huibers (Affordable Housing Flagship & Housing and Homelessness Planning Group)	
Carmen Saliccioli (Hamilton Emergency Shelter Integration and Coordination Committee)	
Loretta Hill Finamore (Street Youth Planning Collaborative)	
Medora Uppal (Woman Abuse Working Group)	
Robert Foster (Addiction & Mental Health Coalition)	
Denise Arkell (Emergency Food Action Committee)	

MANDATE:

"Provide the Volunteer Committee's mandate"

- To identify the urgent needs of citizens within the community for whom barriers exist to obtaining income security; sufficient nutritious food; and, access to safe, accessible and affordable shelter, with adequate supports.
- To provide information regarding urgent community needs and recommendations toward their resolution to the Emergency & Community Services Committee.
- Where appropriate, agency members will take immediate and specialized action to address these issues.
- To provide an opportunity for Food and Shelter Advisory Committee members to liaise and collaborate with other levels of government, other committees, citizens, and agencies regarding responses and recommendations for emergency food supports

and shelter needs.

PART B: Strategic Planning

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

1. To ensure that issues, specific to people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, are brought forward and recommendations are provided to the Emergency & Community Services Committee in a timely manner.
2. To ensure that issues, specific to people who are experiencing hunger, are brought forward and recommendations are provided to the Emergency & Community Services Committee in a timely manner.
3. To assist with the coordination and implementation of Council approved recommendations.
4. To collaborate and devise innovative, preventative measures to assist in addressing homelessness or hunger issues within the community and to provide those recommendations to the Emergency & Community Services Committee.
5. To identify emerging trends, potential gaps and best practices in food or emergency shelter service needs.
6. To educate the community about urgent food and shelter needs through regular reporting to the Emergency & Community Services Committee.
7. To respond in a timely manner to requests for advice from city staff and the Emergency & Community Services Committee.
8. Recognizing the significant relationship emergency food and shelter have with other components of the housing continuum, it is important for FSAC to liaise and collaborate with other committees doing work in the areas of homelessness and affordable housing (such as the Affordable Housing Flagship) and to keep apprised of relevant programs and initiatives.

ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE GOALS:

Please check off which Council approved Strategic Commitments your Volunteer Committee supports			
1) A City of Growth and Opportunity	X	4) A City Where People Come First	X
2) A Great City in Which to Live	X	5) A City that Spends Wisely and Invests Strategically	
3) A Healthy, Safe and Green City	X	6) A City of Choice for High Performance Public Servants	

PART C: Budget Request

INCIDENTAL COSTS:

room, equipment, refreshments, parking and any other transportation support members may require.	
SUB TOTAL	\$500.00

SPECIAL EVENT/PROJECT COSTS:

SUB TOTAL	\$

TOTAL COSTS	\$500.00
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Funding from Volunteer Committee Reserve (only available to Volunteer Committees with reserve balances)	\$
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TOTAL 2012 BUDGET REQUEST (net of reserve funding)	\$ 500.00
PREVIOUS YEAR (2011) APPROVED BUDGET (2011 Request \$500)	\$ 500.00

CERTIFICATION:

Please note that this document is a request for a Budget from the City of Hamilton Operating budget. The submission of this document does not guarantee the requested budget amount. Please have a representative sign and date the document below.

Representative's Name:

Don Jaffray

Signature:



Date:

Oct. 24, 2011

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