



Hamilton Jewish Social Services

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and the United Jewish Appeal.*

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Mayor and Members of Council
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main St. West
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Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

I am writing this letter to you to request a change in our present funding level from the City of Hamilton pursuant to the operation of an Elderly Persons Centre (EPC) which is run by our agency in Dundas Ontario.

The Jewish Social Services of Hamilton is a registered charity which was established in 1932. One of the programs that our agency runs is an Elderly Persons Centre which has been funded by the Ministry of Health, the City of Hamilton, and private donations for the past 40 years. We are most appreciative of the relationship that we have had with the City of Hamilton in providing valuable programming for the citizens of the greater Hamilton area during those 40 years.

It has been brought to our attention, by the Ministry of Health, that there is a shortfall in the municipal funding mandated by the Ministry putting our annual funding from them (\$42,700) at risk.

Provincial legislation requires local municipalities to contribute 20% of the net shareable expenses towards the operation of Elderly Persons Centres. The City of Hamilton has been contributing approximately \$7,750 per year toward our EPC for the past 40 years. To the best of our knowledge, this funding level has not changed during that time.

The net shareable expenses for our EPC in 2012/13 were \$85,700. 20% of this figure is \$17,080, making the municipal gross shortfall \$9,330. Since the Ministry recognizes property tax rebates as part of the 20% municipal obligation, and since that annual rebate is approximately \$1,400, the net municipal funding shortfall from the City of Hamilton is \$7,930.

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We are therefore asking that the annual municipal funding for the EPC our agency operates to be increased from \$7,750 to \$15,680 for the 2013 funding year and beyond.

The need to close the gap as it relates to the municipal funding contribution that has been expressed by the Ministry as a priority for our continued access to EPC grant funding. While City of Hamilton staff in the Recreation Division are very supportive of our programming, we have been informed that the budget for 2013 has been committed and any further enhancement requires further council approval.

The Jewish Social Services of Hamilton is requesting this further approval so that we can continue to offer these valuable recreation programs. If you have any questions we would be glad to address any queries or set up a meeting to discuss this in person.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Terry Nyp
Comptroller

Cc Ann Scott
Program Supervisor
Ministry of Health

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