



ROTHESAY

Policy

Topic:	Grants and Donations Policy	Date Prepared	Sept 2014
Application:		Date Adopted	14 Oct 2014
		Date Amended	14 Nov 2016
			12 Aug 2019
		Mayor & Council:	
		Town Manager:	

BACKGROUND:

This policy provides guidance to Council in considering requests for financial support from groups to apply consistent criteria in evaluating requests. In accordance with the criteria outlined below, all requests for financial support shall be accompanied by the attached application (Schedule A)

CRITERIA:

- 1) Council will consider requests for financial support from **individuals** who:
 - a) are engaged in an activity for which they receive no income
 - b) have been a resident of the town for at least 12 months prior to the request
 - c) have not made a similar request within the preceding 36 months
 - d) are prepared to make a significant personal contribution to the activity
 - e) are not in arrears of any amount owing to the Town
 - f) have excelled in the field or activity for which funding is requested
 - g) might not otherwise be able to participate in the activity for which the funding is requested
- 2) Council will consider requests for financial support from **groups** that:
 - a) are a registered charity or not for profit group
 - b) have a mandate which includes public service to Rothesay citizens
 - c) include a substantial number of Town residents in their memberships
 - d) are not in arrears of any amount owing to the Town
 - e) do not have primarily religious or political objectives nor are affiliated with organizations which do
 - f) are not receiving funding from the Town through a regular funding arrangement, nor are associated with a group receiving regular funding
 - g) Council will consider requests for financial support from groups that have not made a request for funding within the previous 12 months
- 3) The activity to be funded should:
 - a) be beneficial to the Town or residents of the greater Saint John region
 - b) promote the Town or the greater Saint John region, as a place to live, work or play
 - c) reflect a need beyond the resources of the individual or group
 - d) be a proposal to host an event of national or international importance

- 4) Council may consider requests at a Council meeting at which a presentation may be made by the requesting group or individual. Any presentation will be made in accordance with Town policy for Council delegations.
- 5) Requests for "in-kind" donations are subject to this policy.
- 6) Council will attempt to allocate funds consistently and fairly, and may require the applicant to complete an application form which would include the following information:
 - a) the name and address of the group or individual requesting funding
 - b) an explanation of how any Town donations would be used
 - c) the location, date, and time at which the activity will take place
 - d) the total costs of project and amount requested from the Town
 - e) the amount and sources of other support
 - f) an explanation of how the donation will benefit Rothsay and its residents
 - g) financial statements (for group application)
- 7) Council may budget for grants and donations but when the budgeted allocation has been utilized in a fiscal year, no further requests will be considered.
- 8) The Mayor has the authority under this policy to approve up to \$1,000 for donation requests, as long as there is sufficient room in the current year budget. The Mayor shall provide a regular report to Council indicating requests received in an amount of \$1,000 or less and the decision made regarding each request.
- 9) Requests for grants in excess of \$1,000 are to be forwarded to Council for a decision, with a recommendation from the Finance Committee.

November 14, 2016 Schedule A (Form) Amended
August 12, 2019 Section 2(g) added

SCHEDULE A

Application for Rothesay Municipal Grant

App. Date: _____

Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Contact: _____ Tel. _____

Email: _____

Organization Description: _____

Amount Requested: \$ _____

Descriptions of proposed event or activity: _____

Project costs: _____

Benefits to town of Rothesay: _____

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