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RE: Town of Amherst presents Trail of Treats with Community Support Grant

**AMHERST, Nova Scotia** – A \$500 Community Support Grant from the Town of Amherst is helping three local charitable organizations provide young Halloween ghosts, goblins and other scary creatures an alternative way to trick or treat.

“We appreciate the way the YMCA of Cumberland, the Four Fathers Library and Maggie’s Place have come together to create the Trail of Treats, which will provide a different way for our little ones to celebrate Halloween during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic,” Deputy-Mayor Sheila Christie said as she and Mayor David Kogon presented the grant to Trail of Treats organization representatives Ellen Gaudet and Jena Bowes on Oct. 26, 2020.

“Their combined effort is another example of why Amherst is such a great place



**Mayor David Kogon and Deputy-Mayor Sheila Christie presented Trail of Treats representatives Jena Bowes and Ellen Gaudet with a \$500 Community Support Grant, which will be used youngsters with an alternative way to trick or treat this year. (Tom McCoag / Town of Amherst**



to live, work and play.”

Gaudet thanked the town for the grant.

“The three organizations weren’t sure if Halloween was going to go forward this year,” she said, as she explained why the three organizations came together to create Trail for Treats.

“We just wanted to provide a safe alternative way that would allow parents to confidently allow their children to trick or treat this year, and this grant helps us do that.”

Trail of Treats will have several tables set up around town at businesses that will be offering treats to children on Oct. 31, 2020, between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Tables will be set up at Art of Eating Deli, Atlantic Kia, Bridge Workshop, Buds to Blossoms, Campbell’s Funeral Home, Cineplex, Cormier Weatherbee CPA Inc., Cumberland County Museum, Cumberland Public Libraries, Damaris Spa & Wellness, Dayle’s Grand Market, Deanne Fitzpatrick Rug Hooking, K2 Property Management, Lion’s Park, Maggie’s Place, Simply for Life, YMCA of Cumberland and Amherst town hall.

The town is encouraging anyone who is out on Halloween to follow the COVID-19 guidelines for trick or treating as established by the provincial public health officials. They can be found at: <https://novascotia.ca/protect-yourself-and-others-from-coronavirus/halloween/>

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