



Town of Amherst  
Committee of the Whole  
Agenda

Date: **Monday, April 13, 2026**  
Time: **4:00 pm**  
Location: **Council Chambers, Town Hall**

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**1. Call to Order**

**1.1 Territorial Acknowledgement**

"I would like to acknowledge that our gathering today is taking place in Mi'kma'ki (MEEG-MA-GEE), the traditional, unceded and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaw people. I would also like to acknowledge that Nova Scotia has another unique people, the people of African descent whose legacy and contributions date back over 400 years predating confederation of this land. We are all treaty people."

**2. Council Direction Requests**

**2.1 Community Support Grants**

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**3. Adjournment**

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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**CDR# 2026038**

**Date: April 13, 2026**

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**TO:** Mayor Small and Members of Council

**SUBMITTED BY:** Sharon Bristol, Director, Community Living

**DATE:** Monday, April 13, 2026

**SUBJECT:** Community Support Grants

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**ORIGIN:** 2026/27 Operating Budget

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY:** MGA 65 Power to expend money

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council forward to the April 27, 2026, regular meeting, approval of funding, under the Community Support Grants Policy and Social Equity fund, the following:

Organization/Applicant	Amount Recommended	Funding Stream
The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 10	\$5,000	Community Support
After the School Bell Program	\$10,000	Social Equity
Amherst Food Assistance Network	\$15,000	Social Equity
Amherst Little League	\$15,000	Community Support
Cumberland African Nova Scotia Association	\$6,000	Social Equity
Cumberland County Transition House Association	\$10,000	Social Equity
Society of St Vincent De Paul	\$5,000	Social Equity
50+ Club	\$5,000	Community Support
Autism Nova Scotia	\$4,000	Social Equity
Bridge Adult Service Centre	\$1,500	Community Support
Border Town Biker Bash	\$10,000	Community Support
Esther Fest (Great Amherst Cultural Society)	\$7,000	Community Support
Fibre Arts Festival	\$2500	Community Support
Amherst Downtown Business Association	\$20,000	Community Support
Amherst Minor Basketball Association	\$1,500	Social Equity
Cumberland Minor Baseball Association	\$5,000	Community Support
Cumberland Twirlers	\$2,116	Community Support
All Saints Parish	\$5,000	Community Support
NSCC	\$15,000	Social Equity
Fundy Winds Marsh	\$5,000	Community Support



**BACKGROUND:** An annual budget is allocated for community support grants so that the Town can provide assistance in a fiscally responsible manner to organizations that qualify under the criteria set in the policy. In doing so, the Town encourages and promotes the success of these organizations.

**DISCUSSION:** To ensure the intentions of the policy are adhered to, not all grants can be fully funded.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** The above recommendation would leave \$13,684 in the Community Support Grants budget and \$5,750 in the Social Equity Budget.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS:** Our strategic priorities around creating a prosperous economic and vibrant community which is diverse, inclusive and welcoming, are only strengthened by funding community organizations that work to these goals.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:** None

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:** In response to a public invitation to apply, funding requests were submitted by community groups. Future community and sporting event requests will be dealt with on an individual basis

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the funding requests with changes
2. Discontinue the practice of providing community support grants

**ATTACHMENTS:** Community Support Grants Applications  
Community Support Grant Policy, 72000-08

**Town of Amherst  
2026-27 Community Support Grants**

Organization	2025/26 Amount Requested	2025/26 Grants Awarded	2026/27 Amount Requested	2026/27 Amount Recommended - Community Support Grants Budget	2026/27 Amount Recommended - Social Equity Grants Budget	Approved by CAO	Received Application?	Received Budget?	Received Financial Statement	Received Final Report from 2025/26	Notes and Other Funding	Total Score	Financial Need - 20 pts	Economic Impact - 15pts	Value of Event or Activity - 50 pts	Organizational Strength - 15pts
<b>GRANTS TO ORGANIZATIONS:</b>																
The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -		Y	Y	y	y		70	0	15	40	15
In the Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -		Y	Y		N/A	2024/25 funding of \$35k used to hire Executive Director.	45	0	0	40	5
After the School Bell Program	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000		Y	Y		Y		100	20	15	50	15
Amherst Food Assistance Network Association	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 22,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000		Y	Y	Y	Y		100	20	15	50	15
The Amherst Pre-School Association	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -		Y	Y		Y		80	15	0	50	15
Amherst Little League	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -		Y	Y		Not Required	Year 3 of 3 for \$10k plus yearly operating	90	20	5	50	15
Cumberland Hospice and Palliative Care Society	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -		Y	Y	Y	N/A		65	0	0	50	15
Lillian Allbon Animal Shelter	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ -		Y	Y		Not Required		60	20	5	20	15
Cumberland African Nova Scotian Association	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000		Y	Y		Y		90	20	10	50	10
Cumberland County Transition House Association	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000		Y		Y	Y		90	20	5	50	15
Cumberland Pride	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	Y	Y			Y		95	20	15	50	10
Society of St Vincent De Paul	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000		Y		Y	Y		80	20	5	40	15
50+ Club	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,250	\$ 5,000	\$ -		Y	Y		Y		90	20	15	40	15
Autism NS	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000		Y	Y		y		90	20	5	50	15
Bridge Adult Service Centre	\$ 16,320	\$ 16,320	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -					y		85	20		50	15

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<b>Events</b>																
Border Town Biker Bash	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 13,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -		Y	Y		Y		70	20	15	30	5
Great Amherst Cultural Society	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -		Y	Y		Y		80	20	15	30	15
Fibre Arts Festival	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ -		Y	Y	Y	y		95	20	15	45	15
Relay For Life	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -		Y	Y		na		75	10	10	45	10
Zonta Club: Amherst Area	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 750	\$ -	\$ 750	Y	Y	Y		na		80	15		50	15
Amherst Downtown Business Association	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -		Y	Y		na		85	15	15	45	10
Kids of Steel Triathlon (YMCA)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -		Y	Y		na		65	5	5	40	15
<b>ATHLETIC OR SPORT RELATED EVENTS/ACTIVITIES</b>																
Abigail and Oliva Flemming Judo NS KATA Team	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	\$ -	Y	Y	N		N/A		60	20	0	40	0
Team Canada - Emery Cameron	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ -	Y	Y	Y		N/A		60	20	0	30	10
Willow Buske - Team Canada Athlete	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ -	Y	Y	Y		N/A		70	20	0	50	0
Amherst Minor Basketball Association	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500		Y	N		N/A		70	20	5	40	5
Cumberland Minor Baseball Association	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,660	\$ 5,000	\$ -		Y			N/A		55	20	5	30	0

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<b>Other</b>																
Amherst in Bloom	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -	Y	Y	Y		N/A		60	20	0	30	10
Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Cumberland County	\$ 5,323	\$ -	\$ 5,323	\$ -	\$ -		Y			y		50	10	0	30	10
Victoria's Quilts Canada Tantramar Branch	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	Y	Y			Y		70	20	10	30	10
Cumberland Twirlers Square Dance Club	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,116	\$ 2,116	\$ -		Y	Y		N/A		65	20	5	30	10
Amherst Area Heritage Trust	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ -	Y	Y	Y		N/A		70	20	10	30	10
Holiday Hero Committee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	Y	Y	Y		N/A		85	20	10	50	5
All Saints Parish Truth and Reconciliation Committee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -		Y	Y		N/A		90	20	15	50	5
NSSC	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000					yearly presentatio						
Fundy Winds Marsh	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -					y		80	15	10	40	15
Various other grants for organizations in 2025/26		\$ 84,922	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -											

\$ 186,143	\$ 260,742	\$ 248,799	\$ 86,316	\$ 69,250
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<b>Budget - Grants</b>	\$ 100,000	\$ 75,000	<b>Budget - Social Equity</b>
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<b>Budget - Grants - remaining</b>	\$ (13,684)	\$ (5,750)	<b>Budget Social Equity - remaining</b>
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**TITLE:** Community Support Grants Policy  
**SECTION:** All Town Departments  
**POLICY NO:** 72000-08

**Application for Funding**

Date: 28 JAN 2024

**REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT      REQUEST FOR IN-KIND FACILITY RENTAL**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION  
 Full Mailing Address: PO BOX 97 SIN MATH  
AMHERST NS B4H 3A6  
 Contact Person: LORNE BAIRD  
 Email Address: amherstlegion@outlook.com  
 Telephone: 902 669-4201

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED**    \$ 25,000.00

Total cost of program event or activity                                \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Sport and Physical Activity, Arts/Culture Events, Festivals, Organizational Equipment, Community Well-Being etc.)**

NEW FLOORING

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (Event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

MORE HALL RENTALS, MORE COMMUNITY EVENTS

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** \_\_\_\_\_



98 East Victoria Street, PO Box 516, Amherst, NS, Canada B4H 4A1  
 Phone: 902-667-3352 Fax 902-667-5409

*Lorne Baird*  
 L B BAIRD  
 PRESIDENT  
 RCL #10

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1				Royal Canadian Legion Branch #10			
2				.FINANCIAL Statements OPERATING			
3				Decx 2025		YTD	
4							
5	Beer Liquor			\$10,152.00		\$111,243.00	
6	Bottle & Recycling			\$290.00		\$1,845.00	
7	Calendars			\$40.00		\$190.00	
8	ChaSe The ace			\$0.00		\$2,468.00	
9	W/M Donations			\$1,872.00		\$17,787.00	
10	Entertainment			\$1,499.00		\$40,795.00	
11	Kitchen			\$946.00		\$11,317.00	
12	Membership			\$1,750.00		\$5,714.00	
13	Sports			\$469.00		\$6,335.00	
14	Donation			\$0.00		\$1,067.00	
15	Banners / Lawn Signs			\$0.00		\$1,025.00	
16	Rent of Hall			\$0.00		\$2,612.00	
17	Hats/Pins			-\$1,745.00		\$2,322.00	
18	Wreaths			\$2,440.00		\$2,440.00	
19	<b>Total Revenue</b>			\$17,713.00		\$207,160.00	
20							
21	<b>EXPENSES</b>						
22	BEER/Liquor cost			\$2,293.00		\$69,808.00	
23	Pop			\$5,131.00		\$8,843.00	
24	Chips			\$226.00		\$1,679.00	
25	Kitchen Expenses			\$685.00		\$6,786.00	
26	Convention			\$0.00		\$760.00	
27	Sports			\$0.00		\$748.00	
28	Membership			\$340.00		\$5,122.00	
29	Zone Expense			\$0.00		\$0.00	
30	Donation			\$0.00		\$0.00	
31	Garbage			\$100.00		\$1,325.00	
32	Ways & Means			\$155.00		\$1,031.00	
33	Liquor License			\$0.00		\$0.00	
34	Hats Pins	Banners	Flags/Bars	\$0.00		\$0.00	
35	Wreaths			\$740.00		\$740.00	
36	Clothing			\$0.00		\$0.00	
37	Insurance			\$0.00		\$3,049.00	
38	Bank			\$20.00		\$305.00	
39	Office Supplies			\$241.00		\$6,983.00	
40	Calendars			\$0.00		\$0.00	
41	Cleaning			\$725.00		\$9,125.00	
42	Sports			\$0.00		\$166.00	
43	Donation			\$1,000.00		\$7,000.00	
44	Miscellaneous			\$0.00		\$90.00	
45	Maintenance			\$425.00		\$40,011.00	
46	Snow Removal			\$1,634.00		\$1,634.00	

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
47	Telephone			\$352.00		\$2,302.00	
48	Alarm			-\$531.00		\$1,645.00	
49	Heat			\$1,057.00		\$4,697.00	
50	Hydro/Power			\$788.00		\$9,554.00	
51	Water /Sewer			\$0.00		\$737.00	
52	Entertainment			\$1,200.00		\$26,826.00	
53	Color Party Expense			\$0.00		\$0.00	
54	Special events			\$0.00		\$43.00	
55	Decorations			\$0.00		\$0.00	
56	New Years Eve /Xmas			\$458.00		\$608.00	
57	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>			\$17,039.00		\$211,617.00	
58	<b>PROFIT (Loss)</b>			\$674.00		-\$4,457.00	

	L	M	N	O	P
1			Royal Canadian Legion Branch #10		
2			Financial Statement Statements Poppy		
3			Dec-25 YTD		
4	<b>Revenue</b>				
5	Wreaths		\$740.00	\$24,281.00	
6	True Patriot Foundatic		\$1,401.00	\$4,419.00	
7	<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>\$2,141.00</b>	<b>\$28,700.00</b>	
8					
9	<b>Expenses</b>				
10					
11	Poppy		\$0.00	\$7,368.00	
12	Bursary		\$0.00	\$3,000.00	
13	Kapyong		\$0.00	\$0.00	
14	Veterans		\$0.00	\$2,324.00	
15	Provincial Assessemer		\$0.00	\$7,287.00	
16	Bank Charges		\$0.00	\$58.00	
17	Supplies		\$0.00	\$1,620.00	
18	Stone		\$0.00	\$0.00	
19	Donations		\$0.00	\$1,500.00	
20	<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$2,141.00</b>	<b>\$23,157.00</b>	
21	<b>Profit</b>				
22					
23					
24					
25					
26					
27			ROYAL Canadian Legion Branch #10		
28			Bank Accounts	Dec-25	
29					
30					
31		General		\$119,286.00	
32					
33		Poppy		\$57,456.00	
34					
35					



# HARRISON HOME HARDWARE

**building centre**  
**WE'VE GOT YOUR LUMBER.**  
 H.S.T. # 721357283 RT

404 MACDONALD ROAD  
 UPPER NAPPA, NS B4H 3Y4  
 Tel: (902) 667-3306  
 Fax (902) 667-7750

719 MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 427  
 PARRSBORO, NS B0M 1S0  
 Tel: (902) 254-3306  
 Fax (902) 254-3781

10256 DURHAM ST., P.O. BOX 419  
 PUGWASH, NS B0K 1L0  
 Tel: (902) 243-3306  
 Fax (902) 243-2947

CUST NO:	JOB NO:	PURCHASE ORDER:	REFERENCE:	TERMS:	CLERK: GM	DATE / TIME:
680518	000			NET EOM	SRL	11/12/25 12:48

SOLD TO:  
 ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR.#10  
 47 LAPLANCHE STREET  
 P.O BOX 97  
 AMHERST NS B4H 3Y6  
 902-667-8487

SHIP TO:

EXP. DATE: 11/27/25

SALESPERSON: 23 STEVE LEBLANC  
 TAX: 001 HST

TERMINAL: 509

**ESTIMATE: 160316/2**

LINE	SHIPPED	ORDERED	UM	SKU	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	UNITS	PRICE/ PER	EXTENSION
1		160	SH	2817483	PLYWOOD 1/2"X 4'X 8'STANDARD		160	35.40 /SH	5,664.00 C
2					12.5MM PLYWOOD				
3		195	EA	CURATECHELSEA	CURATE CHELSEA 22.54 SQ FT		195	98.99 /EA	19,303.05
4		42	EA	MASATILE	CURATE MASA TILE 20.03SQ FT		42	88.16 /EA	3,702.72
5		14	EA	CHELSEAT	CURATE CHELSEA T-MOULD 94"		14	33.07 /EA	462.98 C
6		12	EA	18020182	PAM #8 1 3/4" WOODSCREW 1000	17018	12	57.59 /EA	691.08 C
** Budget pricing only Subject to change at time of order****									

(JUSTIN MCKAY -)

TAXABLE 29823.83  
 NON-TAXABLE 0.00  
 SUBTOTAL 29823.83

TAX AMOUNT 4175.34

**TOTAL 33999.17**

TOT WT: 0.00

X \_\_\_\_\_  
 Received By

TERMS: NET 30 DAYS - Interest at 2% per month (24% per annum) will be charged on overdue accounts. Returns allowed within 60 days. This invoice must accompany all returns for credit are subject to a 20% restocking charge. Deposit of 20% required on special orders (non-stock items).

# Quote

## Quote#1602

### Brian MacPhee Construction

44 Clifford Street

Amherst N.S. B4H2G4  
664-2688

DATE: NOVEMBER 4, 2025

TO Royal Canadian Legion  
Amherst Branch

SALESPERSON	HST#873704902RT0001	PAYMENT TERMS	DUE DATE
Brian		Due on receipt	

	DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
	As per meeting, install 1/2" plywood subfloor and install curate vinyl flooring with hardwood installed on 20'x40' dance floor section.	Labor only-	\$25,000.00
		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	\$25,000.00
		<b>SALES TAX14%</b>	\$3,500.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	\$28,500.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!

Date: October 28, 2025

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: In The Works -A Social Enterprise Network  
 Full Mailing Address: 26 Laplanche St,  
Amherst, NS B4H 3G8  
 Contact Person: Sean Lockhart  
 Email Address: executivedirector@itwsocialenterprisenetwork.ca  
 Telephone: Office: 902-667-4760 Cell: 416-917-1649

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 15,000

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

Support of ITW Furniture Bank.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

150+ Individuals & Families annually, whom are transitioning to independent living, those whom fall in Stats Canada LICO, Refugee/Newcomers, Domestic Violence or Intimate Partner Violence, other those who are experiencing an emergency (Fire/Water/Natural). With free gently used furnishings and household items.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
The Lewitt Family Foundation	24,450.39
John and Judy Bragg Foundation	5,000

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 15





Charitable Registration no.  
798193942 RR 0001

26 Laplanche Street Amherst, NS  
B4H 3G8  
<https://itwsocialenterprisenetwork.ca/>  
(902) 667 - 4760

October 28, 2025

To Mayor Rob Small, Council and the Town Of Amherst, NS

Proposal to partnering with In The Works (ITW Furniture Bank)

Project name: ITW Furniture Bank

Location: Cumberland County, NS (Amherst and surrounding areas)

Project targeted support: 150+ Individuals and Families annually

### **About In The Works:**

#### **Our Vision**

At In The Works - A Social Enterprise Network (In The Works) we want to see our youth survive and thrive in recovery. We want their lives to bloom with hope, confidence, joy, and opportunity.

#### **Our Mission**

Our mission is to empower youth who are experiencing addictions, recovery, mental illness, or other life struggles. In The Works gives the youth hope and opportunities through work, life, and practical skills, community integration, and reintroduction into meaningful employment, or the pursuit of post-secondary education.

In The Works, supports youth ages 15-30 who have experienced challenges such as mental health, addiction, recovery, or other life challenges by establishing a solid foundation for growth. In The Works provides hope and opportunities for youth through work, life, and practical skills, community integration, and reintroduction to meaningful employment or the pursuit of post-secondary education.

Our overall program is focused on youth aged 15-30 enhance their Education, Work, Life and Practical Skills in the pursuit of meaningful employment or post-secondary education. Part of the 16-week program, youth work (paid) and operate our social enterprise, **Furniture Bank** serving Cumberland County, NS. building their resumes to secure a solid foundation.



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798193942 RR 0001

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**Our program has multiple arms**, including the following and not limited Work, Life, and Practical Skills

- Food Handlers Safety certification
- First Aid & CPR certification
- WHMIS certification
- Purchasing & meal prep on a budget of \$3 per day per person.
- Academic assistance (CAEC)
- Financial literacy
- Career selection, resume building, and mock interviews
- Community Integration: Networking & volunteering
- Introductions to business, community & operations Social Enterprise.

**Furniture Bank** will not only serve as “real life” work experience; while providing education and mental health supports for our youth within our program but will also provide essential items needed to 100’s of people in our community transforming their lives by providing the comforts of home.

Every day we work with many agencies, including **shelters, food banks, YMCA** and other community organizations serving people and families who are experiencing a life event’s such as:

Homelessness to Independent stable living,  
Life challenges (Mental Health etc.)  
Those fleeing Domestic Violence or Intimate Partner Violence  
Disasters such as fires, floods and natural.  
Refugees, Immigration.

These agencies we partner with have the fundamentals covered (food/shelter).

What’s missing is changing an empty home into a place of HOPE where they can feel restored and empowered to move forward and strengthen their futures.

As we launch **Furniture Bank**, it also serves as a way for our community to donate and divert **tonnes and tonnes** of great pieces of furniture, bedding and household items **away from landfill sites** and reused in a practical day to day life of families in need.



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798193942 RR 0001

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### **Statistics on Poverty in Nova Scotia**

Nova Scotia provincial data shows the province had the highest poverty rate among Canadian provinces in 2022, rising from 8.6% to 13.1% between 2021 and 2022. Factors like geographic location, family structure (lone-parent families), and racial disparities contribute to higher poverty rates in Nova Scotia.

As quoted in the **2024 Report Card on Child and Family Poverty in Nova Scotia:**

“With more than one of every five children living in low-income families and an increase of more than 6,000 children to 41,500, we should be ashamed of the lack of progress and concerned about this troubling trend. Nova Scotia continues to have the highest child poverty rate in Atlantic Canada and the fifth highest in Canada (third highest among provinces)”

That’s why we believe **Furniture Bank** can assist many families and individuals; **it’s the missing connect between supportive programs for Canadians.**



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<b>Budget for ITW Furniture Bank</b>		
	<b>Expenses</b>	
Rent	\$ 36,000.00	
Operations/Staffing	\$ 143,867.48	
Fuel for Truck	\$ 7,800.00	
Utilities	\$ 9,091.00	
Telecommunications	\$ 8,928.00	
Insurance	\$ 6,516.00	
Truck Rental	\$ 16,800.00	
Misc	\$ 18,000.00	
	\$ 247,002.48	
		<b>Income</b>
Rent from Tenant		\$ 36,000.00
Total Expense	\$ 247,002.48	
Total Revenues	\$ (36,000.00)	
Donation Pickups	\$ (48,000.00)	
Total Costs	\$ 163,002.48	
<b>Request from the Town of Amherst</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	

**In The Works** would ask if the **Mayor Small, Council and the Town of Amherst** would consider granting us the **sum of \$15,000.00**, together we will reach **150+ families and individuals** through **Furniture Bank**.



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In The Works is led by a team of over 15 volunteers and our Board of Directors, the Board of Directors is listed below:

- Ericka Caissie-Stone  
Manager Correctional Services Canada, Position: Chair
  
- Jennifer Quinn  
B.SC Medical Professional, Position: Vice-Chair
  
- Corey Hunter  
B.SC Psychology, Exec. Director Sexual Health Centre, Position: Treasurer
  
- Sharon Holland  
Retired Position: Director At Large
  
- Dale Fawthorp  
M. Ed – Retired Former Educator and Councillor Position: Director At Large
  
- Sean Lockhart  
Executive Director Position: Secretary  
(Ex-officio, non-voting)

Thank you for your time and consideration Mayor Small, Council and the Town of Amherst if you have any questions, I'd be happy to answer them for you. All my best to you and yours.

Thank you again,

*Sean Lockhart*

Sean Lockhart, Executive Director  
In the Works a Social Enterprise Network  
Office: (902)667-4760, Cell: (416) 917-1649

**IN THE WORKS- A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE NETWORK**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**DECEMBER 31, 2024**

## COMPILATION ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To Management of  
In the Works a Social Enterprise Network

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of In the Works a Social Enterprise Network ("the Entity") as at December 31, 2024, the statements of operations and changes in net assets for the year then ended, and Note 2, which describes the basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the compiled financial information and, if applicable, other explanatory information ("financial information").

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial information, including the accuracy and completeness of the underlying information used to compile it and the selection of the basis of accounting.

We performed this engagement in accordance with Canadian Standard on Related Services (CSRS) 4200, *Compilation Engagements*, which requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements. Our responsibility is to assist management in the preparation of the financial information.

We did not perform an audit engagement or a review engagement, nor were we required to perform procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion, or provide any form of assurance on the financial information.

Readers are cautioned that the financial information may not be appropriate for their purposes.

**FREEMAN & LOURENCO LLP**

*Freeman & Lourenco LLP*

Licensed Public Accountant  
February 27, 2025  
Oshawa, Ontario

**IN THE WORKS- A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE NETWORK**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

	<u>2024</u>
Retained Earnings, Beginning of Year	\$ 126,358
Prior period adjustment	(68,283)
Net Earnings	<u>15,519</u>
Retained Earnings, End of Year	<u>\$ 73,594</u>

Unaudited - See Compilation Engagement Report

**IN THE WORKS- A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE NETWORK**  
**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

	<u>2024</u>
Revenue	
Donations	\$ 76,867
Expenses	
Accounting and Legal	3,184
Bank Charges and Interest	1,620
Insurance	465
Meals and Entertainment	399
Office Expenses	8,108
Program Expenses	9,229
Rent and Utilities Expenses	26,647
Repairs and Maintenance	3,482
Telephone	1,487
Travel Expense	328
Wages and Benefits	24,067
	<u>79,016</u>
Earnings (Loss) from Operations	(2,149)
Rental Income	17,500
Interest Income	168
	<u>15,519</u>
Net Earnings	<u>\$ 15,519</u>

Unaudited - See Compilation Engagement Report

**IN THE WORKS- A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE NETWORK**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2024**

2024

**ASSETS**

Current

Bank	\$	38,549
Investments		41,600
Prepaid Expenses		<u>1,450</u>
	\$	<u><u>81,599</u></u>

**LIABILITIES**

Current

Accounts Payable and Accrued Charges	\$	5,455
Taxes Withheld		<u>2,550</u>

Total Liabilities		<u>8,005</u>
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**SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY**

Retained Earnings		<u>73,594</u>
		<u>73,594</u>
	\$	<u><u>81,599</u></u>

**Approved on Behalf of the Board:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature* *Date*

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*Signature* *Date*

Unaudited - See Compilation Engagement Report

**IN THE WORKS- A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE NETWORK**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

**1) Statutes of Incorporation and Nature of Activities**

In the Works a Social Enterprise Network (the Entity), is located in Amherst, Nova Scotia. The Entity was granted charitable status on May 10, 2022 under the Societies Act of Nova Scotia.

The entity operates as a grassroots organization created to help youth who have experienced struggles with poverty, mental illness, or addiction reconnect with their community and find employment.

The Entity also manages an outdoor pantry that is based on the Community Care and Share Concept.

**2) Basis of Accounting**

The basis of accounting to be applied in the preparation of the financial information is on the historical cost basis, reflecting cash transactions with the additions of the following:

- Accounts receivable;
- Deferral of prepaid expenses;
- Investments recorded at cost and restated to fair market value as at the reporting date;
- Capital assets are expensed in the year they are acquired;
- Accounts payable and accrued liabilities; and
- Current government remittances payable/receivable as at the reporting date

**3) Comparative Information**

The entity has not previously had a compilation engagement performed and changed accounting software in the year. As reliable information was not available for comparative purposes no comparative period has been provided for the current period financial

Unaudited - See Compilation Engagement Report

Date: January 28, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: After the School Bell Food Program  
 Full Mailing Address: PO Box 333, Amherst, NS  
B4H 3Z5  
 Contact Person: Doris Walton  
 Email Address: atsb2020@outlook.com  
 Telephone: 902-664-1607

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$10,000.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

This money will be used to address food insecurity in Cumberland. We work closely with the local schools to provide food for children experiencing food insecurity at home. Each week these children discreetly receive a grocery bag filled with a variety of items that provide nourishment throughout the weekend.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

The support this program provides will have a direct impact on these children's well being and that of their family as well. Food security contributes to peace of mind, better sleep, increased overall health and more positive outlooks/attitudes on life.

We currently provide 172 bags of groceries each week to children, help to outfit high school pantries, and assist families in need as situations arise.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Monetary Donations	We do not have any guaranteed source of income for our program
Food donations	We rely solely on the generous donations of our town, its wonderful people, and community grants.

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 36 individuals regularly volunteer

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Timeline of Anticipated Expenditures for the next 6 months of 2026

January 2026

4 weeks of grocery bags (172 estimated) = \$20,640.00

February 2026

4 weeks of grocery bags (195 estimated) = \$20,640.00

March 2026

4 weeks of grocery bags (195 estimated) = \$20,640.00

April 2026

5 weeks of grocery bags (195 estimated) = \$25,800.00

May 2026

4 weeks of grocery bags (195 estimated) = \$20,640.00

June 2026

4 weeks of grocery bags (195 estimated) = \$20,640.00

**Total for the next 6 months = \$129,000.00**

In addition to the purchase of groceries and bags to distribute approx. \$30 in food items each week to approx. 172 students in our area, the following operational costs are also accounted for in our annual budget:

Phone: \$87.01 monthly = \$1044.12 Annually

Microsoft Subscription: \$115.00 Annually

Promotional/ Marketing: \$1500.00 Annually

Office Supplies: \$2500.00 Annually

Replacement & Liability Insurance: \$1,000 Annually

Professional Fees & Licenses: \$1800.00 Annually

**In Total, an additional \$7959.12 in Annual Fees.**

**Our program is completely run by volunteers. In addition to the 36 individuals that volunteer regularly, we have had the privilege to host many community groups in the pantry as well, who have each given a number of hours to help make this program successful throughout the year. Girl guides have earned badges volunteering with ATSB, NSCC students have completed volunteer hours requirements for program completion with us, and basketball teams have enhanced their team work skills off the court packing bags together as a team in our pantry this year. We try to help our community in any way we can.**

**With regards to Income, After The School Bell Food Program Organization is completely dependant upon grants and the generous donations of our supporters. We are very blessed to have a community that acknowledges the dire need and trusts our organization to help meet that need. But it is only through this generosity that we are able to continue our vision – to provide food security for every child. In addition to this application, we have applied for an additional \$40,000 elsewhere in other Canadian grants for this coming year. Still, even if the recipient of each generous grant, our expenditures to meet the every growing demand for assistance with food provisions for children, far outweigh our income. Please consider our organization for support. Every dollar is invested back into the children and providing food security for them.**

**Thank you**



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: After the School Bell Food Program

Address of Organization: 142 South Albion Street, PO Box 333, Amherst, NS, B4H 4H4

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Doris Walton

Email: atsb2020@outlook.com

Phone: 902-664-1607

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$10,000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Groceries: \$126,000  
Clothing: \$950  
Office Expenses: \$2500  
Dues: \$130  
Utilities: \$920  
Insurance: \$875  
Professional Fees: \$650

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

Last year, we purchased \$126,000.00 in groceries for children and families experiencing food insecurity!!! In addition, we have purchased and given to families: \$950.00 in children’s clothing and personal hygiene items.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

We are excited to share with you that we have been able to provide 8,190 bags of groceries to children in our area last year. We know that food security decreases stress, provides comfort, allows for better learning and contributes to positive mental and physical health. We are honored to serve this community, meeting such a desperate need.

Signature Doris Walton

Date February 4, 2026



Date: February 18, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Amherst Food Assistance Network Association  
 Full Mailing Address: PO Box 45, 5 King Street  
Amherst, NS B4H 3Y6  
 Contact Person: Jennifer Dobson  
 Email Address: jenniferdobson1@outlook.com  
 Telephone: (902)664-1788 cell, (902)661-6527

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$22,000

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

To purchase food for distribution to food insecure people in and around the town of Amherst. We wish to use the funds to purchase unprocessed, fresh and local food from farmers, food producers, and stores. We will purchase meats, vegetables, and fruits with this funding. We will also use a portion of these funds for purchasing Gift Certificates from downtown businesses for distribution to Clients.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

Expected benefits to the community are healthier Clients who can better focus on education, employment, and self-care. Gift Cards being distributed to Clients will give them choice of where to eat, dignity by being able to enjoy a restaurant meal with friends or family, and show our Clients the compassion of the community. Social Equity Funding

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 80 Volunteers work with us.

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## Project Title: FOOD SECURITY

<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE:</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Meat	Purchase of fresh beef, lamb, chicken, turkey, pork, fish, deer.	\$9,000
Vegetables	Purchase of fresh vegetables.	\$4,000
Fruit	Purchase of fresh fruits.	\$5,000
Meat & Fish processor	Processing / packaging.	\$1,000
Transportation	For picking up donations & for delivering to people unable to pick-up.	\$1,000
Gift Cards	Downtown businesses & Tim Hortons	\$2,000
<b>TOTAL FUNDING REQUEST</b>		<b>\$22,000</b>

**Town of Amherst**  
2026-February



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Amherst Food Assistance Network Association  
Address of Organization: PO Box 45, Amherst, NS B4H 3Y6  
Contact Person (First, Last Name): Charlotte Ross  
Email: ce.ross70@outlook.com  
Phone: 902-664-8283

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$10,000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

The Support Grant received is to assist Amherst Food Bank in buying Food, Toiletries, laundry soap, home cleaning products, etc. In 2025 grant of \$10,000.00 we bought these items to assist a total of 8,572 people in 2025. 5553 Adults, 3019 Children, for a total of 8,572 who were fed

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

This money was very much appreciated in buying food families in needing assistance with wholesome food.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Without this Grant we would not have the help needed to buy nutritious and healthy food for those in need. "Neighbour helping neighbour"

Signature Charlotte Ross

Date February 24/2026



Date: January 27, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: The Amherst Pre-School Association  
Full Mailing Address: 1 Ratford Street Amherst Ns, b4h 1x2  
Contact Person: Melissa Quinn  
Email Address: amherstpreschool65@hotmail.com  
Telephone: 902-667-8666

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 10,000

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

To help with operational cost of the Amherst Pre-School by providing snacks, new toys, cleaning supplies, arts and craft supplies, Helping to provide new learning opportunities with feild trips,etc.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

The Amherst Pre-School helps families with giving their child (ren) a safe loving nurturing learning environment . It helps children to develop social, emotional and cognitive skills with peers in their age group. It helps with public school transition, along with giving each child a sense of belonging and hopefully life long friendships

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
The Christie Foundation	10,000
The Rotary Club	3,000

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 2 full time teachers

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Increased by 5%

<b>Income: Earned In 2024/2025</b>			
<b>Student Fees:</b>	\$	9,354.00	
<b>Gov't Funding:</b>	\$	93,243.00	
<b>Donations:</b>	\$	19,334.25	
<b>Interest Revenue:</b>	\$	203.95	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	\$	<b>122,135.20</b>	
<b>Payroll Costs:</b>		<b>Payroll Costs:</b>	
Salaries for 2 Teachers	\$	83,963.29	\$ 88,161.45
Benefits (Healthcare, Pension Plan)	\$	12,865.36	\$ 13,508.63
Payroll Taxes- EI, CPP	\$	6,503.55	\$ 6,828.73
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSES:</b>	\$	<b>103,332.20</b>	<b>\$ 108,498.81</b>
<b>Overhead and Administrative Costs:</b>		<b>Overhead and Administrative Costs:</b>	
Rent	\$	3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Accounting Services	\$	710.00	\$ 745.50
Business Fees	\$	1,310.93	\$ 1,376.48
Donation	\$	100.00	\$ 105.00
Insurance	\$	2,100.00	\$ 2,205.00
Bank Charges	\$	247.75	\$ 260.14
Office Supplies	\$	446.52	\$ 468.85
Telephone/Internet	\$	820.28	\$ 861.29
Repairs & Maintenance	\$	362.00	\$ 500.00
Food (Students)	\$	989.67	\$ 1,039.15
School Supplies	\$	752.25	\$ 789.86
Cleaning Supplies	\$	100.00	\$ 125.00
Staff Training	\$	500.00	\$ 525.00
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE COST:</b>	\$	<b>11,439.40</b>	<b>\$ 12,001.27</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET COST:</b>		<b>\$114,771.60</b>	<b>TOTAL BUDGET COST for 2025/2026: \$120,500.08</b>



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Amherst Pre-School

Address of Organization: 1 Ratchford St Amherst

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Melissa Quinn

Email: amherstpreschool65@hotmail.com

Phone: 902-667-8666

Amount of Community Support Grant received: 10,000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

New printer  
photo copier  
tent for allowing quiet time in our classroom  
10 comfortable pillows for carpet time  
2 small child size couches for our carpet  
art supplies for holidays; Halloween, Christmas, Easter etc  
Insurance  
Healthy snacks  
Phone and internet

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

Having been able to receive this grant has allowed pre school to provide necessary things for our children and staff and allowing us to continue to operate a happy and loving school

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

This grant has taken the stress off of the staff and has allowed us to continue to operate the pre school and we are very thankful

Signature Melissa Quinn

Date February 9, 2026



Date: February 19th 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Amherst Little League  
Full Mailing Address: 70 Croft St. Amherst NS B4H 3A1  
Contact Person: Andrew Gilroy  
Email Address: andrewgilroy@royallepage.ca  
Telephone: 902-694-5163

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$5000

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

Overhead and maintenance costs to run a free Little League program for 300+ Kids from Amherst and surrounding areas.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

We offer a safe place for kids to learn and enjoy baseball during the summer months. This program is free for kids to register and we enroll 300+ local community kids every summer. Keeping this program free assures all kids have the opportunity to enjoy baseball with out the worry of paying big fees.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
County of Cumberland	\$5000
Amherst Lions Den	\$3000
Raffle Tickets	\$20,000 - \$30,000

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 50 + Community parents

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## **Amherst Little League Budget Summary:**

### **Season Expenses:**

- **\$3000 equipment budget**
- **\$5000 field maintenance**
- **\$3000 Building maintenance**
- **\$20,000-\$30,000 Summer Students**
- **\$10,000 Umpire fees**
- **\$7500 Uniforms and hats**

**Total Expenses: \$58,500**

### **Season Income:**

- **Canteen Sales \$3000-\$4000**
- **County of Cumberland \$5000**
- **Amherst Lions Den \$3000**
- **Ticket Raffle \$ 25,000**
- **Government of NS \$10,000**

**Income : \$47,000**

Date: March 4, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: The Cumberland Hospice & Palliative Care Society Volunteer Visitation Program  
 Full Mailing Address: 142 South Albion Street, Amherst, NS, B4H4R7  
 Contact Person: Susan Short  
 Email Address: susanshort2010@outlook.com  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 1500.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

This money will aid to provide gas cards for volunteers working with our program. These volunteers travel throughout the county to visit and support patients coping with illness, grief, and loss. These volunteers do not receive any compensation for doing so yet, give of their time, energy, and use their own vehicles to travel. We would like to be able to give volunteers some assistance with the high cost of gas required.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

Our program works closely with the Palliative Care Team to identify individuals that could benefit from having a volunteer in place. The assistance that a volunteer brings often enables a patient to stay in their home longer before transferring to hospital, supplements assistance with housekeeping, meal preparation and respite services, all free of charge to the patient and family.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Royal Bank of Canada	They have provided a grant for \$1500, to assist with travel expenses.
	We believe that this will cover approximately 50% of the need for the year of 2026.

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 13 volunteers currently serve in this program



## TRAVEL GRANT FUNDS TRACKING

### Cumberland Hospice Visit Volunteers

Grant: \$1,500.00 Dec-25 Town of Amherst

Purpose: to provide some relief from personal gasoline costs for visit volunteers

Info: CRA 2025 mileage rate is \$.72 per km up to 5,000 km

**This spreadsheet is using \$.45/km**

	Home to Client Home (km)	Home to Hospital (km)	Home to Other (km)	# Jan Visits	Total Jan km	x \$.45/km (Jan)
Volunteer #1	28.1			3	84.3	\$ 37.94
Volunteer #2	22.1			5	110.5	\$ 49.73
Volunteer #3						
Volunteer #4	1.9			5	9.5	\$ 4.28
Volunteer #5	22.3			5	111.5	\$ 50.18
Volunteer #6		5.6		5	28	\$ 12.60
Volunteer #7						
Volunteer #8	1.2			5	6	\$ 2.70
Volunteer #9						
Volunteer #10	23.6			5	118	\$ 53.10
Volunteer #11		16.3		5	81.5	\$ 36.68
Volunteer #12						
Volunteer #13	36.6			2	73.2	\$ 32.94
<b>Grant Money Spent (estimated)</b>						<b>\$ 280.13</b>

# Feb Visits	Total Feb km	x \$.45/km (Feb)	# Mar Visits	Total Mar km	x \$.45/km (Mar)
2	56.2	\$ 25.29	2	56.2	\$ 25.29
4	88.4	\$ 39.78	5	110.5	\$ 49.73
4	7.6	\$ 3.42	5	9.5	\$ 4.28
4	89.2	\$ 40.14	5	111.5	\$ 50.18
4	22.4	\$ 10.08	5	28	\$ 12.60
4	4.8	\$ 2.16	5	6	\$ 2.70
4	94.4	\$ 42.48	5	118	\$ 53.10
4	65.2	\$ 29.34	5	81.5	\$ 36.68
2	73.2	\$ 32.94	2	73.2	\$ 32.94
		<b>\$ 225.63</b>			<b>\$ 267.48</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY HOSPICE/PALLIATIVE CARE SOCIETY**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**December 31, 2024**

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash	\$ 175,575	\$ 152,207
Marketable securities	627,735	512,036
Harmonized sales tax recoverable	934	957
	<u>804,244</u>	<u>665,200</u>
<b>PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b> <i>(Net of accumulated amortization)</i>	94	125
	<u>\$ 804,338</u>	<u>\$ 665,325</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 814	\$ 788
Deferred income	67,677	33,924
	<u>68,491</u>	<u>34,712</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Net Assets	<u>735,847</u>	<u>630,613</u>
	<u>\$ 804,338</u>	<u>\$ 665,325</u>

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD**

C. Social Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Director

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY HOSPICE/PALLIATIVE CARE SOCIETY**  
**Statement of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	2024	2023
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Toonie draw	\$ 172,042	\$ 164,864
Fundraising revenue	64,414	57,378
Grants	46,451	36,340
Donations and memorials	22,397	23,084
Interest income	17,241	13,566
Hospice memberships	160	355
	<u>322,705</u>	<u>295,587</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Advertising and promotion	1,155	3,408
Amortization	31	48
Client support - prescriptions	1,906	580
Consulting fees	31	531
Fundraising expenses	5,143	4,344
Insurance	2,288	1,377
Interest and bank charges	18	-
Office	7,838	6,426
Power	3,037	3,060
Professional fees	1,451	1,451
Rental	6,450	6,450
Salaries and wages	94,235	81,689
Telephone	2,528	2,356
Toonie draw prizes	86,218	83,317
Training costs	4,984	5,658
Travel	158	1,317
	<u>217,471</u>	<u>202,012</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 105,234</b>	<b>\$ 93,575</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY HOSPICE/PALLIATIVE CARE SOCIETY**

**Statement of Changes in Net Assets**

**Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 630,613</b>	<b>\$ 537,038</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>105,234</b>	<b>93,575</b>
<b>NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 735,847</b>	<b>\$ 630,613</b>

Date: March 5 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Lillian Allbon Cumberland County Animal Shelter  
 Full Mailing Address: 798 Smith Road  
Amherst, NS  
 Contact Person: Monique Sullivan  
 Email Address: lashelter@live.com  
 Telephone: 902-699-9052/902-661-7297

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$20,000

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

The next step in our Capital Campaign is to provide safe outdoor spaces for the dogs in our care. For the construction of our new facility, the outdoor fencing had to be torn down. The outdoor kennels are old and in disrepair. This funding would allow us to replace the dog play area and outdoor kennels.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

These areas will allow the dogs in our care to get more exercise, thus curbing poor behaviour and making them more adoptable. The play area will provide a large meet and greet area for the dogs and potential adoptors. The space can also be used when community events are hosted at the Shelter.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
The Christie Foundation	\$20,000
The Municipality of Cumberland	\$20,000 (requested)

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 20



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80 Henri Dunant St., Moncton, New Brunswick, E1E 1E6



March 4, 2026

Lillian Allbon Animal Shelter  
798 Smith Road  
Upper Nappan, NS B4H 3Y4

Att: Monique

Tel: 902-699-9052

E-mail: lashelter@live.com

RE: Outdoor Kennels & Play Area

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our quotation to you for commercial fencing as follows:

- Supply and install 706 ft. of 6' high commercial galvanized chain link fence, complete with 13 – 4' wide single swing gates and top mesh closures for kennels.
- Supply and install 20 ft. of 4' high commercial galvanized chain link fence, complete with 1 – 4' wide single swing self-closing gate.
- All posts to be 2 3/8", driven approximately 10 ft. on center.

Our Quotation.....\$60,595.00

- **Budget quote only, based on supplied drawing and is subject to site evaluation.**

- **H.S.T. is extra. Prices are valid for 30 days.**

- **The establishment of property lines, the location of private underground utilities, and the procurement of building permits are the sole responsibility of the customer.**

- **Snow removal and winter working conditions, not included in this quotation.**

If you would like us to proceed with the installation of your fence, please respond via e-mail acknowledging your acceptance of this quotation or by signing and returning a copy to our office. Our terms are payment due upon receipt of invoice unless prior credit terms have been arranged.

Eastern Fence carries complete Workers Compensation coverage and Liabilities Insurance to protect our employees as well as you our customer. We look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

EASTERN FENCE LIMITED

Quotation Accepted By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Max Klompmaker, BAA  
Sales Department

MK/tl  
Our Reference #26-0395

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**Lillian Allbon Cumberland County Animal Shelter  
Comparative Profit and Loss Statement  
As of December 31**

Revenue	Year to Date		Year End
	2025	2024	2023
Adoption Fees, Board, Surrender	128,899	93,257	94,387
Agreement and Contracts (Town/County)	33,000	33,000	33,000
Donations	100,306	74,687	94,149
Fundraising	86,087	76,175	32,184
Calendar, Merchandise Sales	8,670	6,054	8,305
Subsidies, Grants	-	500	1,950
Miscellaneous Income	840	810	2,010
Interest Income	2,343	3,386	1,637
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>360,146</b>	<b>287,869</b>	<b>267,622</b>
Capital Campaign (Building)	190,920	340,398	694,908
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>551,066</b>	<b>628,267</b>	<b>962,530</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Animal Care	119,988	117,258	99,512
Buildings	33,458	22,260	20,018
Wages & Salaries	145,279	114,148	112,648
Fundraising Costs	10,957	12,255	3,328
Fees, Interest, Bank Charges	3,846	2,107	2,037
Office Expenses	1,909	1,492	2,550
HST Expense	40,718	57,412	10,879
Miscellaneous Expenses	-	-	-
Amortization of Tangible Assets	-	5,481	5,848
Transfer to Marilyn and Friends	-	-	-
<b>Building Costs:</b>			
Building Committee Costs	1,497	5,720	10,878
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>357,652</b>	<b>338,132</b>	<b>267,698</b>
<b>NET PROFIT / LOSS</b>	<b>193,414</b>	<b>290,135</b>	<b>694,832</b>

**DRAFT  
Balance Sheet  
As of December 31**

<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Operational Funds			
Current Account		55,412	
GICs and HISA		43,844	
	Subtotal		99,256
Capital Funds			
HISA		15,846	
TD Investment Account		125	
GICs		-	
	Subtotal		15,970
<b>Total Current Assets</b>			<b>115,227</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Building, Land and Equipment	213,016		
New Building	1,284,877		
Amortization	- 100,205		
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>1,397,688</b>		
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>1,512,915</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
EI, CPP, Vacation		766	
HST Owning (Refund)		-34,516	
Visa		10,475	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>			<b>-23,275</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Reserve for Replacement		71,819	
Net Profit / Loss (prior year(s))		1,304,112	
Net Profit / Loss (current year)		193,414	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>			<b>1,569,345</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>			<b>1,546,069</b>

Date: March 11 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Cumberland African Nova Scotian Association  
 Full Mailing Address: 63 Victoria Street East, PO Box 1015, Amherst Nova Scotia B4H 4E1  
 Contact Person: Victoria Vance  
 Email Address: victoria.vance@cansa.ca  
 Telephone: 902-661-1509 ext 222

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 6000

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

Community Events- building on the successes of 2025-26 we will be hosting activities in August, October and February to celebrate Emancipation Day, Homecoming Weekend and African Heritage Month as well as hosting the Bluenose running event with Spring Street Academy.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

These events bring residents and visitors together to celebrate African Nova Scotian history and culture while strengthening community connection and inclusion. Activities such as Emancipation Day, Homecoming Weekend, and participation in the Bluenose Running event at Spring Street Academy promote wellness, community pride, and cultural awareness. These events also attract visitors from outside the area, supporting tourism and local businesses in Amherst.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Municipality of Cumberland	\$5000 requested
African Nova Scotian Affairs	\$12000 requested

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 30

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Budget

**Bluenose Running Event June 2026**

Event fees and student registration	Spring Street Academy event hosting all of Cumberland county elementary schools	
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Total

**Emancipation Day – August 2026**

Proclamations – Aug 1	Town of Amherst Cumberland County	
Rent the Amherst Stadium Aug 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Town of Amherst – Gift in Kind	
Rent Bouncy Castle, games station, ice shaving – weekend	Maritime Event Rentals	
Music	Over weekend events	
BBQ / Family Field events	Dickey Park - games, BBQ, prizes	
Posters & advertising & decorations	Posters printing Radio Ads, paying to put in papers, etc	
Door Prizes / Give-aways – Aug 3	Promotional Company	
Support for community - travel	taxis, gas cards from out of town	
Liquor license / insurance – Aug 3	NS Fee \$62.30 / Insurance for event \$197.81	
		<b>Total</b>

**African Heritage Month Celebrations - February 2026**

AHM Proclamation - Feb 1'26	Town of Amherst Cumberland County	
Public Library Book Readings	Author reading (\$250); purchase books for schools/libraries	
Liquor licence and insurance - Gala	NS Fee \$62.30 / Insurance for event \$197.81	
Gala	CUBIC Centre / music/ DJ / Key Note speaker / awards	
Support for community - travel	Taxis, gas cards for out of town	
Movie Event(s)	Town and County	
Kids events in Schools	Food and games, hair braiding, cultural drumming	
		<b>Total</b>

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	Grand total	\$
Total for Year Events	\$24,100.00	
ANSA		\$12,000
Town of Amherst		\$6,000
Cumberland County		\$5,000
Local Business sponsors for Bluenose		\$1,100

24,100.00



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Cumberland African Nova Scotian Association

Address of Organization: 63 Victoria Street East Amherst Nova Scotia B4H 1X6

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Victoria Vance

Email: victoria.vance@cansa.ca

Phone: 902-661-1509 ext 222

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$5000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

- \$1000 Bluenose in Amherst Event
- \$300 Face painting ( Emancipation Day Family Event)
- \$2050 Nova Scotia Mass Choir (Homecoming Weekend)
- \$375 Lions Den Hall Rental (Homecoming Weekend)
- \$400 Food, decorations and supplies (Homecoming Weekend)
- \$475 DJ (African Heritage Month Gala)
- \$400 Balloon decorations by Kalei's Kreations (African Heritage Month Gala)

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

Four events drew participants locally and from across the Northern region and Halifax. Together they strengthened community engagement, celebrated Black history and culture, increased public knowledge, and promoted healthy, active youth participation.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Support from the Town of Amherst, in partnership with the Municipality and ANSA, was essential to delivering these events. Without this funding, we would not have been able to host the programs at the scale and quality achieved, ensuring broad community access, meaningful cultural celebration, and youth engagement.

Signature *Victoria Vance*

Date February 20 2026



Date: March 13, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Cumberland County Transition House Association (CCTHA) / Autumn House  
Full Mailing Address: 41 Russell St, Amherst, NS B4H 2S5  
  
Contact Person: Dawn Ferris  
Email Address: dferris@autumnhouse.ca  
Telephone: 902.499.3855

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 10,000

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

We are requesting this funding to help us with providing services to clients in Amherst. We serve women, men, and their children through our services out of Autumn House (short term shelter for women/children/fem identifying/nonbinary) and New Directions  
We are funded by the Provincial Government for staff and some funding for programing but it's never enough to cover all the expenses of supporting our clients

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

We are working to make homes safer in Cumberland County. Working with the men who are causing the harms to live abuse/violence free lives and working with the women and their children is helping create safer homes. We are also working with children in schools to help break the cycle of abuse. There is such a need for support in the Town and County. Thank you

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Dept of Opportunities and Social Development	\$355,000
NS Advisory Council on the Status of Women	\$1,266,000

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 8 Board Members

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**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
**(Operating as Autumn House)**  
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**LYLE TILLEY DAVIDSON**  
Chartered Professional Accountants

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**INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER'S REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT**

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To the Members of Cumberland County Transition House Association operating as Autumn House

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Cumberland County Transition House Association, operating as Autumn House, (the "Association") that comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2025, and the statements of revenues and expenditures, changes in fund equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

*Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO), and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

*Practitioner's Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

*Conclusion*

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Cumberland County Transition House Association as at March 31, 2025, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with ASNPO.

*Gyle Tilley Davidson*

Halifax, Nova Scotia  
June 27, 2025

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**March 31, 2025**

	General fund 2025	Capital fund 2025	Total 2025	Total 2024
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>CURRENT</b>				
Cash	\$ 1,690,593	\$ -	\$ 1,690,593	\$ 743,028
Accounts receivable	500	-	500	-
Harmonized sales tax receivable	13,885	-	13,885	9,240
Prepaid expenses	5,286	-	5,286	5,393
Due from (to) funds	163,954	(163,954)	-	-
	<u>1,874,218</u>	<u>(163,954)</u>	<u>1,710,264</u>	<u>757,661</u>
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS (Notes 4, 8)</b>	-	423,820	423,820	440,284
<b>INVESTMENTS (Note 5)</b>	<u>1,742,727</u>	-	<u>1,742,727</u>	<u>121,401</u>
	<u>\$ 3,616,945</u>	<u>\$ 259,866</u>	<u>\$ 3,876,811</u>	<u>\$ 1,319,346</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>				
<b>CURRENT</b>				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 57,792	\$ 1,000	\$ 58,792	\$ 78,122
Deferred revenue (Note 6)	2,916,426	7,000	2,923,426	490,912
Security deposits	-	330	330	1,190
	<u>2,974,218</u>	<u>8,330</u>	<u>2,982,548</u>	<u>570,224</u>
<b>FUND EQUITY</b>	<u>642,727</u>	<u>251,536</u>	<u>894,263</u>	<u>749,122</u>
	<u>\$ 3,616,945</u>	<u>\$ 259,866</u>	<u>\$ 3,876,811</u>	<u>\$ 1,319,346</u>

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD**

\_\_\_\_\_ Director

\_\_\_\_\_ Director

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Statement of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

	General fund 2025	Capital fund 2025	Total 2025	Total 2024
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Transition House <i>(Schedule 1)</i>	\$ 980,221	\$ -	\$ 980,221	\$ 637,090
New Directions Program <i>(Schedule 2)</i>	371,077	-	371,077	334,605
General Fund - Unrestricted <i>(Schedule 3)</i>	217,184	-	217,184	134,957
Capital Fund <i>(Schedule 4)</i>	-	8,380	8,380	8,917
Lilac Place <i>(Schedule 5)</i>	185,749	-	185,749	-
	<u>1,754,231</u>	<u>8,380</u>	<u>1,762,611</u>	<u>1,115,569</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Transition House <i>(Schedule 1)</i>	1,050,621	-	1,050,621	766,282
New Directions Program <i>(Schedule 2)</i>	359,683	-	359,683	345,951
General Fund - Unrestricted <i>(Schedule 3)</i>	49,182	-	49,182	13,346
Capital Fund <i>(Schedule 4)</i>	-	39,467	39,467	46,759
Lilac Place <i>(Schedule 5)</i>	118,517	-	118,517	-
	<u>1,578,003</u>	<u>39,467</u>	<u>1,617,470</u>	<u>1,172,338</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 176,228</b>	<b>\$ (31,087)</b>	<b>\$ 145,141</b>	<b>\$ (56,769)</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Statement of Changes in Fund Equity**  
**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

	General fund	Capital fund	2025	2024
<b>FUND EQUITY - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	\$ 466,499	\$ 282,623	\$ 749,122	\$ 805,891
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	176,228	(31,087)	145,141	(56,769)
<b>FUND EQUITY - END OF YEAR</b>	\$ 642,727	\$ 251,536	\$ 894,263	\$ 749,122

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

	2025	2024
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	\$ 145,141	\$ (56,769)
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization - capital fund	31,159	31,032
Amortization - Lilac Place	737	-
	<u>177,037</u>	<u>(25,737)</u>
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	(500)	2,640
Harmonized sales tax receivable	(4,645)	8,028
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(19,329)	17,647
Deferred revenue	2,432,514	191,707
Prepaid expenses	107	(875)
Security deposits	(860)	330
	<u>2,407,287</u>	<u>219,477</u>
Cash flow from operating activities	<u>2,584,324</u>	<u>193,740</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of capital assets	(15,433)	-
Investments	(1,621,326)	(18,415)
Cash flow used by investing activities	<u>(1,636,759)</u>	<u>(18,415)</u>
<b>INCREASE IN CASH FLOW</b>	<b>947,565</b>	<b>175,325</b>
Cash - beginning of year	<u>743,028</u>	<u>567,703</u>
<b>CASH - END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 1,690,593</b>	<b>\$ 743,028</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

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**1. PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION**

Cumberland County Transition House Association (the "Association") provides shelter, counselling and support services for abused women and their families in Cumberland County, Nova Scotia. Through the New Directions program, the Association also provides services to abusive men willing to change their behaviour. As a registered charity the Association is exempt from the payment of income tax under Subsection 149(1) of the Income Tax Act.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of presentation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued, except for transactions with related parties which are recorded at the exchange amount. In subsequent periods, financial assets with actively traded markets are reported at fair value, with any unrealized gains and losses reported in income. All other financial instruments are reported at amortized cost, and tested for impairment at each reporting date. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale, or issue of financial instruments are expensed when incurred.

Cash

Cash includes cash on hand and cash held in Canadian financial institutions, net of any outstanding transactions.

Capital assets

Capital assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortization and are amortized over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis at the following rates:

Buildings	30 years
Equipment	5 years

Amortization is calculated at half the normal annual rate in the year of acquisition; no amortization is recorded in the year of disposal.

Impairment of long-lived assets

The Association tests for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. Recoverability is assessed by comparing the carrying amount to the projected future net cash flows the long-lived assets are expected to generate through their direct use and eventual disposition. When a test for impairment indicates that the carrying amount of an asset is not recoverable, an impairment loss is recognized to the extent the carrying value exceeds its fair value.

Investments

Investments for which there are quoted prices in an active market are carried at fair value. Unrealized gains or losses are reported as part of net income. Guaranteed investment certificates are reported at principal plus accrued interest.

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**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

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**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)***

Revenue recognition

Cumberland County Transition House Association follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions.

The general fund accounts for the Association's program delivery and administrative activities. This fund reports unrestricted resources and restricted operating grants. Restricted contributions related to general operations, the Women's Resource (Lilac Place) program, the New Directions program, and all other restricted contributions for which no corresponding restricted fund is presented are recognized as revenue in the general fund. The accumulated deficit relating to contributions for general operations, named the "Transition House" are tracked separately in the fund equity. Restricted contributions and related program expenditures for the Women's Resource (Lilac Place), the Transition House and New Directions program are shown in schedules to the financial statements.

The capital fund reports the assets, liabilities, revenue and expenditures related to the Association's capital assets. Restricted contributions related to capital assets are recognized as revenue in the capital fund.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the general fund in the year, received or receivable, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Unrestricted contributions and related expenditures are shown in schedules to the financial statements.

Investment income is recognized as revenue of the General Fund when earned.

Government assistance

Government assistance for current expenditures is recorded as Government assistance revenue when received.

Contributed goods and services

The operations of the Association depend on both the contribution of time by volunteers and donated materials from various sources. The fair value of donated materials and services cannot be reasonably determined and are therefore not reflected in these financial statements.

Donated goods are not recognized in the financial statements but are receipted at their fair market value at the time of the donation if fair value can be reasonably estimated. During the year no donated goods were receipted (2024 - \$nil).

Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. Significant estimates in these financial statements are the useful lives of capital assets, allowance for doubtful accounts, accrued liabilities, and fund expenditure allocations. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
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**3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Association is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and has a comprehensive risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. The Association's financial instruments consists of cash, accounts receivable, investments, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and security deposits. The following analysis provides information about the Association's risk exposure and concentration as of March 31, 2025.

**Credit risk**

Credit risk arises from the potential that a counter party will fail to perform its obligations. The Association is exposed to credit risk from funders. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific accounts, historical trends and other information. Credit risk is minimized due to the nature of the Association's revenues.

**Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Association is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its receipt of funds from its funders and other related sources and accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

**Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. The Association is mainly exposed to other price risk.

**Other price risk**

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market. The Association is exposed to other price risk through its investments.

**4. CAPITAL ASSETS**

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2025 Net book value	2024 Net book value
Land	\$ 73,528	\$ -	\$ 73,528	\$ 73,528
Buildings	759,801	430,458	329,343	354,670
Equipment	152,235	131,286	20,949	12,086
	<u>\$ 985,564</u>	<u>\$ 561,744</u>	<u>\$ 423,820</u>	<u>\$ 440,284</u>

**5. INVESTMENTS**

Investments consist of mutual funds with a market value of \$141,136 (cost - \$131,143), 2024 market value of \$121,401 (2023 cost - \$116,705) and a guaranteed investment certificate with a principal value of \$1,600,000 (2024 - \$nil), earning annual interest of 3.3% and matures April 21, 2026; the guaranteed investment certificate includes principal plus accrued interest at year-end.

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**6. DEFERRED REVENUE**

	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Recognized</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Province of Nova Scotia	\$ 354,941	\$ 3,394,482	\$ 1,121,557	\$ 2,627,866
New Directions	78,784	367,302	320,997	125,089
Transition House Association of Nova Scotia	56,830	288,620	181,979	163,471
COVID-19 funding	357	-	357	-
	<u>490,912</u>	<u>4,050,404</u>	<u>1,624,890</u>	<u>2,916,426</u>
Prepaid rent	-	15,380	8,380	7,000
	<u>\$ 490,912</u>	<u>\$ 4,065,784</u>	<u>\$ 1,633,270</u>	<u>\$ 2,923,426</u>

The Province of Nova Scotia deferred revenue includes \$2,165,144 received in March 2025 that is to be used over the next four years for four new staff positions and increased program capacity. This funding is due to the Province of Nova Scotia declaring domestic violence/intimate partner violence as an epidemic.

**7. COVID-19 ASSISTANCE**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Women's Shelters Canada - response and recovery funding	<u>\$ 357</u>	<u>\$ 33,392</u>

COVID-19 assistance is included in revenue for the program in which the related expenditures were incurred. In the current year and prior year, COVID-19 assistance was all allocated to Transition House revenue

Expenditures of \$357 were incurred in relation to COVID-19. These expenditures were for COVID-19 salaries and wages.

**8. GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE**

The Association was approved for a \$303,529 mortgage from Housing Nova Scotia with the Province of Nova Scotia for its second stage housing project. The loan will be forgiven in equal monthly amounts over a period of 15 years from the date the occupancy permit is obtained and provided the various conditions of the loan are met. If conditions are not met, the loan will bear interest at 5.9% per annum. The loan is secured by a \$292,100 real property mortgage with a first priority over the property, an assignment of rents, and a general assignment of the Association's right to all material contracts affecting the property. The total approved mortgage was advanced and the project completed in prior years. During the year \$20,235 of the mortgage was forgiven. The advances were recorded as revenues in the capital fund in the years received.

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**

*(Operating as Autumn House)*

Transition House

*(Schedule 1)*

Year Ended March 31, 2025

	2025	2024
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Province of Nova Scotia	\$ 964,864	\$ 588,698
Town of Amherst	10,000	10,000
County of Cumberland	5,000	5,000
COVID-19 assistance (Note 7)	357	33,392
	<u>980,221</u>	<u>637,090</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Advertising and promotion	791	831
COVID-19	-	25,867
Cleaning and household supplies	1,555	2,748
Food, medical and recreation	16,724	12,076
Heat, lights and telephone	18,156	16,428
Insurance	6,007	7,916
Interest and bank charges	764	690
Office	21,653	12,039
Outreach	3,747	1,163
Professional fees	3,467	4,166
Property taxes and water	6,206	5,703
Repairs and maintenance	6,625	7,248
Support groups	90	380
Training and education	-	44
Wages and employee benefits	964,836	668,983
	<u>1,050,621</u>	<u>766,282</u>
<b>DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ (70,400)</b>	<b>\$ (129,192)</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**

*(Operating as Autumn House)*

**New Directions Program**

*(Schedule 2)*

**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Province of Nova Scotia	\$ 250,267	\$ 245,830
Fatherhood Matters	70,730	58,745
Capacity and programming grant	50,080	30,030
	<u>371,077</u>	<u>334,605</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Fatherhood Matters	857	1,754
Heat, lights and telephone	7,564	6,550
Insurance	1,826	971
Office	7,252	5,908
Outreach	717	394
Professional fees	1,491	1,539
Rent	17,737	17,737
Support group - men	40,748	47,514
Training and education	145	7,331
Wages and employee benefits	281,346	256,253
	<u>359,683</u>	<u>345,951</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 11,394</b>	<b>\$ (11,346)</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**

*(Operating as Autumn House)*

**General Fund - Unrestricted**

*(Schedule 3)*

**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Capacity and programming grant	\$ 90,413	\$ 12,445
Donations and fundraising	19,912	26,998
Homeless Individuals and Families System training	41,530	65,570
Harm reduction	27,200	-
Interest and investment income	35,577	27,401
Friends of Autumn House donations	2,552	2,543
	<u>217,184</u>	<u>134,957</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Food security program	4,233	3,177
Fundraising	3,106	5,552
Harm reduction	26,795	-
Men's support groups	-	338
Office	1,033	1,098
Training and education	2,334	890
Wages and employee benefits	11,681	2,291
	<u>49,182</u>	<u>13,346</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 168,002</b>	<b>\$ 121,611</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**  
*(Operating as Autumn House)*  
**Capital Fund**  
**Year Ended March 31, 2025**

*(Schedule 4)*

	2025	2024
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Women Who Care Home rent	\$ 8,380	\$ 8,917
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Amortization	31,159	31,032
COVID 19	-	7,525
Second stage housing	8,308	8,202
	39,467	46,759
<b>DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ (31,087)</b>	<b>\$ (37,842)</b>

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY TRANSITION HOUSE ASSOCIATION**

*(Operating as Autumn House)*

Lilac Place

*(Schedule 5)*

Year Ended March 31, 2025

	2025	2024
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Province of Nova Scotia	\$ 125,149	\$ -
Donations and fundraising	60,600	-
	<u>185,749</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Amortization	737	-
Emergency fund	23	-
Insurance	1,354	-
Office	5,151	-
Outreach	858	-
Program	2,188	-
Rent	12,363	-
Support groups	185	-
Training	195	-
Utilities	726	-
Wages and benefits	94,737	-
	<u>118,517</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>\$ 67,232</u>	<u>\$ -</u>



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Cumberland County Transition House Association

Address of Organization: 41 Russell St, Amherst B4H 2S5

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Dawn Ferris

Email: dferris@autumnhouse.ca

Phone: 902.499.3855

Amount of Community Support Grant received: 10,000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Reporting from April 1, 2025 - January 31, 2026:  
We offered support and services to 271 female clients through Autumn House (which represents 1947 goods and services) and 85 male clients through New Directions (which represents 1307 goods and services). This is a definite increase in both clients served and supports offered than the previous year.

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

We supported 356 individuals through our two programs (Autumn House & New Directions) and all of those households/families and all of their children. Our mandate is to make homes safe in Cumberland County and we are working hard on this goal.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

We are able to provide services and supports to all of our clients. While our staff salaries are covered by the Province of Nova Scotia, we have a very small budget for things like rent, programming, mileage, phones, groceries, client support (help with moving expenses, medications, food insecurity, etc). All of this is covered by our fund raising, our donors, and from the Town of Amherst and Cumberland County. Thank you

Signature

Date Feb 18'26



Date: Feb 31, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Society of Saint Vincent deo Paul - Holy Family Conference  
Full Mailing Address: 63 Church Street  
Amherst N. S. B4H3B1  
Contact Person: Shirley Ann Porter or Shirley Leblanc (Co-Chairs)  
Email Address: shirleyann267@gmail.com/ shirleyleblanc@ns.sympatico.ca  
Telephone: 902-297-4267 / 902-667-8848

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 5,000.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

Our Conference once again requests financial aid to help meet the increasing demand for financial assistance for persons with needs in the Amherst and surrounding area.

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

Helping those who reach out to us could prevent power being shut off, having no fuel to heat their home or even eviction

Some can not afford needed medication or food to feed their family  
see additional information.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 12 members volunteer

[www.amherst.ca](http://www.amherst.ca)  
P.O. Box 516, Amherst, NS B4H 4A1  
(902)667-3352



**Annual Budget 2026**  
**Holy Family Amherst NS Conference**

Estimated Opening Bank Balance January 1	\$	8,350
Receivables		-
Gift Cards, bus tickets on hand, January 1		-
Other, Investments		-

**Total January 1,2024** 8,350

**Receipts**

Donations -receipt issued for taxes	\$	5,000
Bequests -receipt issued for taxes		5,000
Donations - no receipt issued		1,500
Funds from Particular Council or Conference		10,000
Funds from Other registered charities		17,000
Poor Box collection		10,000
Secret collections		400
Grants from government ( all levels)		5,000
Bank interest		7
Other,Parish Donations		-
Charitable Works Revenue		-
Non-cash donations (clothing, furniture)		-
Rental of Land and Buildings		-
Other, Fundraising, specify		-
Other, Fundraising w/o receipt specify		-
	\$	<u>53,907</u>

**Disbursements**

Advertising Fundraising	\$	-
Travel and vehicle		-
Professional and Consulting Fees		-
Bank Charges & Interest		30
Office Supplies and Administration		650
Member Education & training		-
Food Assistance		2,600
Medical Assistance		1,300
Electricity		24,300
Fuel		8,500
Water		-
Rent Assistance		21,500
Charitable Works Expenditures		-
Contributions to Councils & Conferences		-
Twinning Contributions		2,050
Bus Fares/transportation/Moving		500
Non-cash Donations (Clothing, furniture)		100
Employee payroll		-
Other (household appliances, furnishings)		800
Special Projects		-
		<u>62,330</u>

**Overage/(Shortfall)** -\$ 73

Is the math correct? Math Balanced

**Request from Particular Council** \$ 10,000

**Society of Saint Vincent de Paul  
Holy Family Conference  
63 Church St. Amherst NS B4H 3B1**



**WHO WE ARE/FOUNDER:** The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is an International lay Catholic volunteer organization founded in 1833 in France by Frédéric Ozanam initially formed to help the poor materially. Today, SSVP is present in 153 countries with 800,000 active members. The founding members when gathered called themselves the Conference of Charity which is why each group are known as “conferences”.

Our **mission** is to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in persons with needs with love, respect, justice and joy. It implies that as Vincentians we see Christ in anyone who suffers, come together as a family, have personal contact with those we serve and help in all possible ways.

Holy Family Conference in Amherst was formed over 50 years ago. We are a group of about 20 individuals. We meet monthly to work and grow as a team. Business matters are discussed. Minutes are recorded and kept, and financial status provided. Annually, our Conference is required to provide an annual budget as well as visit and financial statistics to our Provincial body Halifax Particular Council.

**How we work/operate:** Individuals seeking help contact our phone line 902-661-0433. This number is in our local directory, on 211, and on the National website. Callers provide a description of their need and how we can contact them. Our Dispatchers review calls once per day Monday to Friday and then contact the visitation team (2 members) assigned to calls each week. The team arranges to visit the caller in their home or at our church or in a public place. During Covid, our members contacted individuals by phone. We have gradually returned to home visits but are stilling doing over the phone requests. The on-call team will consult with our treasurer to see how healthy our account is. Before entering the home, the team will recite a prayer together. Home visitation demands the highest respect for the dignity of those we contact and visit. The contact/visit is carried out assuring that our discussions are confidential in all our dealings with the request. Our Visitation questionnaire allows the team to review financial intake and output. Once decided we can help financially, we determine what resources are needed to complete the request to the best of our ability. We help within the Amherst area and have aided other close communities (Springhill, Parrsboro, Oxford, Pugwash, Northport, River Hebert, South Hampton, Maccan, West Amherst, Chapman Settlement) also. Helping others outside of the Amherst town limits is challenging from a geographical perspective as well as a financial one. We operate without an office, paid staff or a guaranteed

source of income. Sometimes we don't give financial help. ie: The request is beyond what we can provide. When fact checking, we find the information or story to be unreliable. We inform those we help we are only able to help once per year.

**How we help:** We help with rent, power, fuel, medication, furniture, transportation, moving costs and utilities to name a few. If there is an emergency need for food or a special diet requirement, we will provide food but try to direct such requests to our local foodbank. We do our best to direct people to **other resources as appropriate** (food bank, pantries, Maggie's Place, YMCA homelessness program, homeless shelter, etc.)

Our **revenue** comes from collections at Holy Family church after our weekend services (masses), assistance from other local churches- Trinity Saint Stephen United , First Baptist, Christ Anglican Church, Foundations, grants, memorial donations and service groups. Each year our conference can request funds from Halifax Particular Council our Provincial body who we report to. Funds from weekend services has significantly declined in the past few years and the amounts of aid being requested has shown an increase. We are a registered Charity so if anyone wishes to make a financial donation to our Conference, this can be mailed to: Holy Family Society Saint Vincent de Paul, 63 Church St. Amherst NS, B4H 3B1 or dropped off to Holy Family Church at the same address Monday to Fridays 9:00 – noon. Donations can also be made on our website below. Tax receipts are provided by our Conference.

In 2025, 135 adults and 93 children were assisted by us. Of the adults served, 6 were homeless individuals. 11 households outside of Amherst were assisted in the amount of \$8,100.00 total.

We meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 6:30 pm at Holy Family Church. We continue to work at recruiting new volunteers for this rewarding work. For more information, contact Shirley Ann Porter at 902-297-4267 or Shirley Leblanc at 902-667-8848.

For more information about Saint Vincent de Paul, please visit our National website [www.ssvp.ca](http://www.ssvp.ca).



## Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Saint Vincent de Paul Society - Holy Family Conference

Address of Organization: 63 Church St. Amherst NS B4H 3B1

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Shirley Ann Porter /Shirley Leblanc (co-chairs)

Email: shirleyann267@gmail.com/shirleylep

Phone: 902-297-4267/902-667-8848

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$5,000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

This grant is used for ongoing financial support to families, individuals and homeless in need in our community. We receive funding from other sources. Please see attached annual financial report for details

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

These funds allows our organization to reach out to a greater number of people in need in our community as well as allows the opportunity to give possibly a little greater amount of aid.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Please see the narrative also with this document

Signature Shirley Leblanc




Date February 5, 2026



**Holy Family Society of St. Vincent de Paul  
Treasurer's Annual Financial Statement  
January 1 - December 31, 2025**

**Chequing Acct Balance December 31, 2024** **\$4,913.30**

**Receipts:**

Donation Box	10,440.80	
General Donations	15,205.00	
Memorial Donations	1,825.00	
Assistance from Other Churches	20,042.00	
Town of Amherst Donation	5,000.00	
	465.10	
	5,000.00	
	5,000.00	
Interest Earned	6.22	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>62,984.12</b>	

**Disbursements:**

Rent & Damage Deposit	20,814.68	
Electricity	24,684.84	
Fuel	7,590.96	
Foodbank Commitment	2,400.00	
Office Supplies/SSVP Phone	647.22	
Medical Aid	1,173.55	
Transportation	458.52	
SSVP National - Twinning	1,550.00	
Groceries	100.00	
Miscellaneous	100.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>59,519.77</b>	

**Closing Balance Dec 31, 2025** **\$8,377.65**

## About Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP)

The Holy Family Conference Saint Vincent de Paul in Amherst was founded over 40 years ago and has been active in providing aid to this community since its formation. A copy of our annual financial report for 2025 is included with this Grant request for 2026.

In 2025, we provided needed funds to 129 adults and 93 children as well as 6 homeless individuals. We helped with food, rent, power, heating fuel, transportation, medical expenses to name a few. We also provide information about other resources available in our community.

We are grateful to all who contribute weekly to our poor boxes following our weekend liturgies, benefactors and for all general and memorial donations received throughout the year.

We collaborate with other organizations on larger requests- Trinity St. Stephen's United, First Baptist, Christ Anglican Church and the Y Outreach program whom without, we would not be able help and support all who call for aid.

Our Conference members consist of visiting teams (2)/callers, dispatchers and spiritual leaders who offer their Time, Talent and Treasure regularly. We have about 20 active members.

Some members also volunteer at the foodbank, help with the After the School Bell program, Coats for Cumberland and the Coldest Night of the Year Walk for the Homeless.

We sincerely **thank You** for your generous grant of \$5000.00 in 2025 and look forward to having the opportunity to request needed funds for 2026.

Co-Chairs -Shirley Ann Porter 902-297-4267 & Shirley Leblanc 902-667-8848 -Treasurers-Alice Boss 902-660-2111 & Maria Kirkpatrick 902-667-8743 -Secretary- Dianne Gillis 902-667-1405 -Spiritual Advisor - Howard Gotell 902-667-9598

Date: March 2 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Amherst 50 + Club  
 Full Mailing Address: 52 Croft St Amherst NS  
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 Contact Person: Merrill Murray  
 Email Address: mamurray@ns.sympatico.ca  
 Telephone: 902-694-0428

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 10,250

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

Updated accessible doors for our entrances into the building. This would provide our members with seamless, independant and safe entry particularly for those with mobility, sensory or cognitive impairments. Updated accessible doors would remove barriers, ensure legal compliance and improve convenience for a wider range of users.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

Updated Accessible doors would remove barriers, ensure Inclusivity and Independant Access, modernization and ensure we comply with legal standards. Updated doors would also improve safety, conveniences and would improve the energy efficiency of the building as well as enhance traffic flow.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
River-Philip	

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** \_\_\_\_\_





o/a **UpTown Glass & Sales Limited**

9 Industrial Park Drive, Amherst, N.S. B4H-4H7  
(902) 667-9999 (902) 667-1263 Fax

**Estimate**

March 17, 2026

Attention: Merrill Murray (902) 694-0428

Project: Amherst Seniors Club, Supply & Install 2 New Entrances

1 @ 93" w x 82" h Pressed Steel Pair Door Frame with Insulated Commercial Hollow Metal Doors

- Flush Bolts on In Active Door
- 1 ½ Pair Ball Bearing Butt Hinges
- Rim Exit (Panic Bar) on Active Door with Keyed Trim on Exterior
- 4" Aluminum Threshold
- Heavy Duty 4040 Door Closers
- Weather Strip
- 1" Thermal Unit Side light on Each Side

1 @ 74" w x 81" h Pressed Steel Pair Door Frame with Insulated Commercial Hollow Metal Doors

- Flush Bolts on In Active Door
- 1 ½ Pair Ball Bearing Butt Hinges
- Rim Exit (Panic Bar) on Active -Exit Only
- 4" Aluminum Threshold
- SC61 Standard Commercial Door Closers
- Weather Strip

Total \$10250.00\*

*Thank you,*  
**Terry Stone**

\*Quote valid for 30 Days \*Due to Market Conditions, Some Prices are Subject to Change

\*Tax Extra

*Liability Insurance or Letter of Good Standing with Workers Compensation Available upon request*

**Member of:**

Nova Scotia Construction Association  
Amherst Chamber of Commerce  
Canadian Federation of Independent Business

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ACCOUNT NUMBER  
91413 00199 17

STATEMENT OF  
BUSINESS ACCOUNT

FROM  
JAN 30 2026

TO  
FEB 27 2026

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DESCRIPTION	WITHDRAWALS/DEBITS	DEPOSITS/CREDITS	DATE M D	BALANCE	
BALANCE FORWARD			0130	39289.99	
DEPOSIT		2143.85			
CHQ* 2308 7221038398	604.00		0202	40829.84	
CHQ* 2312 8221808227	738.75		0205	40091.09	
CHQ 2306 7321347710	200.00		0206	39891.09	
DEPOSIT		243.95	0209	40135.04	
CHQ 2313 2320788191	44.00		0210	40091.04	
CHQ 2316 7321358008	19.38		0211	40071.66	
CHQ* 2314 7221431931	1197.00				
CHQ 2315 7321359467	1683.06		0212	37191.60	
CHQ 2319 2320798845	218.88		0213	36972.72	
DEPOSIT		982.50	0217	37955.22	
CHQ 2321 5320235810	38.99				
CHQ 2317 5320236447	95.76				
CHQ* 2320 7221698153	49.78				
CHQ 2318 7321381188	73.34		0220	37697.35	
DEPOSIT		767.70	0223	38465.05	
DEPOSIT		1635.50			
CHQ 2323 2320839635	187.09				
SERVICE CHARGE	37.44		0227	39876.02	
*UNCOLLECTED FEES AND/OR ODI OWING: \$0.00*					
				- 220.00	
				39656.02	
					
NO. OF DEBITS	TOTAL AMOUNT - DEBITS	NO. OF CREDITS	TOTAL AMOUNT - CREDITS	NO. OF ENCLOSURES	MORE ITEMS ON PAGE
14	5,187.47	5	5,773.50	13	2

**AMHERST 50+ CLUB**

**FINANCIAL RECONCILIATION for February 1 to 28, 2026**

<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
Duplicate Bridge Club - rent		400.00	
Auction 45's		519.75	
Loonie draws		118.50	
Cribbage		396.00	
Darts		205.50	
Meeting 50/50		53.50	
Membership		170.00	
Events Luncheon (Jan/Feb)		3071.50	
Dance		335.00	
Old Fashion Bingo		503.75	
	total		5773.50

<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Baxter Trucking - snow removal		1197.00	
Troy White - garbage removal		95.76	
Patricia Sharpe - janitor		220.00	
Eastlink - phone		49.78	
Canada Post - box renewal		218.88	
Valley Refrigeration - repaired cooler		1683.06	
Supplies - coffee		44.00	
Town of Amherst - water and sewer		73.34	
Meeting birthday cake		38.99	
Events Luncheon supplies		206.47	
BNS s/c		37.44	
	total		3864.72
	profit		1908.78

Balance Jan 31/2026	37747.24
plus receipts	5773.50
less expenses	3864.72
 Balance Feb 28/2026	 39656.02

Expenses - \$15,000

other big bills

\* heat pump

\* insurance

\* plowing bill/salt.



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Amherst 50+ Club  
Address of Organization: 52 Croft St Amherst NS  
Contact Person (First, Last Name): Merrill Murray  
Email: mamurray@ns.sympatico.ca  
Phone: 902-694-0428

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$5000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Repaving of the parking lot  
Other funding received through Christie Smith Foundation

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

Repaving of the club's parking lot has offered enhanced safety and accessibility for the members of the 50+ Club. Many of our members were unable to attend or participate in club activities before the repaving took place.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

The support from the Town of Amherst through the Community Support Grant program ensured we had enough funding to complete the project which was needed to enhance safety, accessibility and reduce liability for the Amherst 50+ Club.

Signature Merrill Murray

Date March 2 2026



Date: March 26, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Autism NS Cumberland Chapter  
 Full Mailing Address: 81 South Albion St, Amherst, NS, B4H2X1  
 Contact Person: Elaine Mazur  
 Email Address: cumberlandcounty@autismns.ca  
 Telephone: 9026642367

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 4000

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**  
Camp Au-Some- Summer Day Camp for autistic individuals age 4-25. Camp is located in Amherst and run each week in July and Aug  
We have a morning and afternoon session each day which allows participants to not be overwhelmed and to attend both in July  
and again in August. Staff are well trained and support campers 1-1.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**


**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**  
This camp allows campers with autism to attend a fun summer camp while getting the 1-1 support they need to  
be safe. Caregivers also benefit by having a respite break while campers are with us without stressing about  
how they are being cared for.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Anchor Youth Space	Use of facility for cooking activities
Super 8	Use of Pool

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 1 or 2

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**Autism Summer Camp Cumberland Budget 2026**

***Income***

Registration Fees	1000
CSI/NS Skills Grant	18000
other grants	9000
chapter fundraising	4391
	<b>32391</b>

***Expenses***

Staffing (4)	26650
facility rental	2000
equipment/supplies	1771
outings	500
training costs	420
Travel costs	900
Insurance	150
	<b>32391</b>



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Autism Nova Scotia- Cumberland Chapter

Address of Organization: 81 South Albion St, Amherst, NS, B0M1V0

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Elaine Mazur

Email: cumberlandcounty@autismns.ca

Phone: 902-660-3003

Amount of Community Support Grant received: 4500

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Summer Camp Actuals 2025

Staffing-	26650
facility rental-	2000
equipment-	1771
outings-	500
training-	420
travel costs-	860
Total-	33201

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

We had another amazing summer at camp. We supported 30 unique campers this summer who each got to attend for a week in each July and August. Campers did crafts, active games, went to museums, swimming and local parks.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

This grant allowed us to continue to offer summer camp at significantly reduced rates compared to the other ANS camps in the province. Participants paid \$50/week compared to \$450. We also offered sponsorship so no one was turned away due to financial barriers.

Signature *Elaine Mazur*

Date Feb 26, 2026



Date: March 30, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Bridge Adult Service Centre  
Full Mailing Address: 16 Station St. Amherst, N.S.  
B4H 0C2  
Contact Person: Joanne Hopper  
Email Address: joanne.hopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca  
Telephone: 902-667-8433

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 1,500.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)  
To help with the cost for transportation to Summerside and back for our clients to participate in Hockey Fest on June 19, 2026.

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

The people we support have participated in this ball hockey tournament for 2 years. They return to Amherst feeling included, sense of belonging, part of a team while getting physical exercise & developing relationships.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event: developing relationships.

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 2-3 volunteers.



Re: Bus Rental

Joanne

*Joanne Hopper*

Executive Director  
Bridge Adult Service Centre  
[joannehopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca](mailto:joannehopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca)  
902-667-8433

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**From:** Ward Markie <[wardmarkie@markiebustours.com](mailto:wardmarkie@markiebustours.com)>  
**Sent:** March 24, 2026 3:02 PM  
**To:** Joanne Hopper <[JoanneHopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca](mailto:JoanneHopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Bus Rental

Hi Joanne,

We would have availability with a 56 passenger Motor Coach. Cost would be \$2000.00 + fuel surcharge + HST  
\*\*Fuel surcharge rate is updated once a month by the Public Utility and Review Board, current rate as of March 1st is 12% We won't know the rate for June until closer to that Month

Please let us know either way if you wish to confirm

Thank You,

Ward Markie

Markie Bus Tours  
902-843-5501 (Office)  
902-843-3511 (Fax)

On 2026-03-24 12:56 p.m., Joanne Hopper wrote:

I believe we had a motor coach last year as it was very comfortable 😊

*Joanne Hopper*

Executive Director  
Bridge Adult Service Centre  
[joannehopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca](mailto:joannehopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca)  
902-667-8433

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**From:** Ward Markie <[wardmarkie@markiebustours.com](mailto:wardmarkie@markiebustours.com)>  
**Sent:** March 24, 2026 12:35 PM  
**To:** Joanne Hopper <[JoanneHopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca](mailto:JoanneHopper@bridgeadultservicecentre.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Bus Rental

From: [Joanne Nopper](mailto:Joanne.Nopper@amherst.edu)  
To: [Joanne.Nopper@amherst.edu](mailto:Joanne.Nopper@amherst.edu)  
Subject: FW: walking track and bus

Think the actual email is suppose to be the report.

From: Mallory Klossner <[mklossner@amherst.edu](mailto:mklossner@amherst.edu)>  
Sent: Monday, February 9, 2025 10:11 AM  
To: Joanne Nopper <[jnopper@amherst.edu](mailto:jnopper@amherst.edu)>  
Subject: RE: walking track and bus

Thank you!

Now that I'm seeing that, the report is definitely somewhere in IT's mark as received

**Mallory Klossner (She, her, hers)**  
Manager, Community Involvement  
Town of Amherst  
Cell: 902-854-0851  
E: [mklossner@amherst.edu](mailto:mklossner@amherst.edu)  
[www.amherst.edu](http://www.amherst.edu) | [www.involvement.org](http://www.involvement.org)

*"We acknowledge that we are in Wôpanoak, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Wôpanoak People. We celebrate 400+ years of African Nova Scotian descent. We strive to foster a diverse community that values everything that makes us unique including our visible differences, such as race or gender expression, as well as our invisible differences, such as gender identity and diversity of thought. We are committed to equity, fairness and dignity for all."*



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From: Joanne Nopper <[jnopper@amherst.edu](mailto:jnopper@amherst.edu)>  
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 11:10 AM  
To: Sharon Bishop <[sbishop@amherst.edu](mailto:sbishop@amherst.edu)>, Mallory Klossner <[mklossner@amherst.edu](mailto:mklossner@amherst.edu)>  
Subject: FW: walking track and bus

Hi Mallory,

Please see below... looks like I sent to Sharon on September 11th

Thanks  
Joanne

From: Joanne Nopper  
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 11:10 AM  
To: Sharon Bishop <[sbishop@amherst.edu](mailto:sbishop@amherst.edu)>, Mallory Klossner <[mklossner@amherst.edu](mailto:mklossner@amherst.edu)>  
Subject: FW: walking track and bus

Please see below email and let me know if Joanne requires to send in any more information.

Thanks  
Joanne

From: Joanne Nopper <[jnopper@amherst.edu](mailto:jnopper@amherst.edu)>  
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 10:46 AM  
To: Joanne Nopper <[jnopper@amherst.edu](mailto:jnopper@amherst.edu)>  
Subject: FW: walking track and bus

Good morning Jen,

I apologize for the late report but as I'm sure you know I have had a rough summer! I wanted to sincerely thank the Town of Amherst for the Community Support Grants in the amount of \$16,220.00. We traveled to Summerside in June to attend the Noah Dobson Hockey's fest which is a ball tournament that our clients had participated in last year and as you can imagine everyone had an amazing time which was made possible as this grant covered our transportation cost. The grant allowed my dream of having a walking track developed around our facility to come true. We dedicated the walking track to a former client Alan Mattson who passed away last year. He was well known in the community and deeply missed by all here at the Bridge. The track enables people that we support an accessible place to get some physical activity along with our staff team. If you require any more information please do not hesitate to let me know.

Warm regards,  
Joanne

**Joanne Nopper**  
Executive Director  
Bridge Adult Services Centre  
[jnopper@amherst.edu](mailto:jnopper@amherst.edu)  
902-867-8453

From: Mallory Klossner <[mklossner@amherst.edu](mailto:mklossner@amherst.edu)>  
Sent: September 9, 2025 11:49 AM  
To: Joanne Nopper <[jnopper@amherst.edu](mailto:jnopper@amherst.edu)>  
Subject: walking track and bus

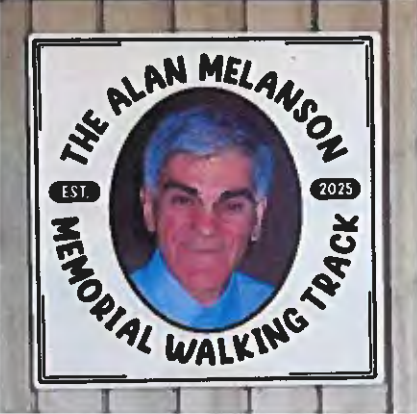














**Melissa MacAusland**  
Assistant Executive Director / Support Supervisor  
Energy Adult Services Center  
melissa.macausland@energyadulthood.com  
920-427-4422

Date: February 20, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Border Town Biker Bash Society  
 Full Mailing Address: 2 Tupper Blvd  
Amherst, N.S. B4H 4J5  
 Contact Person: Paulette Thurber  
 Email Address: paulettethurber@gmail.com  
 Telephone: 506-872-2102

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$13,000

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

Moving our family oriented event to the Amherst Stadium would allow us to bring back crowd pleasers such as motorcycle stunt shows, and a number of attractions and vendors that require indoor venues like Vintage motorcycles. Funding would also enable us to offer high quality musical entertainers and provide children's activities in the form of various fun-filled inflatables. We strive to offer special events for all at no cost to participants. We also request assistance to include the rental costs for the Stadium.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

Our 3-day event has historically brought 1,000-1,500 attendees to Amherst and area, attracting people nationally. Both the general public and business community have commended our festival for successfully reaching out to both the Biker and Non-Biker communities and making activities accessible and fun for all. We strive to increase motorcycle awareness and contribute to the economic growth of the Amherst area. Attached is an impact/feedback email and reservations are already being made.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 40-50

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**REVENUE AND EXPENSE PROJECTIONS  
BORDER TOWN BIKER BASH  
2026**

<u>Projected Revenue</u>		<u>Projected Expenditures</u>	
Grants:	\$10,000.00	Advertising & Marketing:	\$4,500.00
Business Sponsors:	\$5,000.00	Merchandising :	\$2,500.00
Vendor Fees :	\$4,500.00	Stunt Events & Family Activities:	\$12,000.00
Merchandise Sales :	\$5,000.00	Porta Potty rentals :	\$1,500.00
50/50 Proceeds :	\$600.00	Entertainment/Sound system :	\$6,000.00
General Donations :	\$500.00	Overnight Security	\$1,500.00
		Facility Rental & Power (Amherst Stadium)	\$2,950.00
		Miscellaneous :	\$1,500.00
<p>*** Projected Revenue is based on a combination of final numbers from 2025 and 2026 expectations</p>		<p>*** Projected Expense is based on a combination of final numbers from 2025 and 2026 estimates received/expectations</p>	
<b><u>Total Projected Revenue</u></b>	<b><u>\$25,600.00</u></b>	<b><u>Total Projected Expenses</u></b>	<b><u>\$32,450.00</u></b>
<b>Projected Profit or Loss</b>		<b>-\$6,850.00</b>	

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## Appreciation and support for Bordertown Biker Bash

1 message

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CN247- Front Office Manager <cn247.fom@investhotels.com>

Fri, Feb 20, 2026 at 2:00 PM

To: Paulette Thurber <paulettethurber@gmail.com>

Dear Ms. Paulette,

I hope this message finds you well.

On behalf of Comfort Inn Amherst, I would like to sincerely thank you for organizing the Bordertown Biker Bash every year and giving us the opportunity to assist with your accommodation needs. Thanks to your hard work and dedication, we welcomed a large number of bikers during the event, which made a meaningful difference to our business and the wider local community.

Events like yours not only bring great energy and excitement to the area, but they also provide vital support to local businesses. We truly felt the positive impact and deeply appreciate the time, planning, and commitment that goes into making it such a success.

We are especially grateful that you are arranging another event this year. Your continued efforts to support local communities do not go unnoticed, and we are thankful to be part of a town that benefits from such strong community leadership and collaboration.

Please accept our heartfelt appreciation for everything you do. We look forward to supporting the event again and welcoming visitors back to our community.

Regards,



**Rakesh Shetty**  
Front Office Manager

[cn247.fom@investhotels.com](mailto:cn247.fom@investhotels.com)

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Name of Organization: Bordertown Biker Bash Society

Address of Organization: 2 Tupper Blvd, Amherst, NS B4H 4J5

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Paulette Thurber

Email: paulettethurber@gmail.com

Phone: 506-872-2102

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$10,000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

- Advertising/Marketing: \$2,991- Merchandising: \$1,995- Special Events: \$4,112- Tents/Table/Chair rentals: \$2,865- Porta Potty rentals: \$3,420- Entertainment/Sound: \$4,600- Overnight Security: \$2,416- Power Costs: \$1,000- Fencing Costs: \$250- Bank Fees & Miscellaneous: \$829

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

Our 2025 festival brought in between 1,000-1,500 people to downtown Amherst. Both the general community and business community were pleased as most businesses reported increased income generated during the weekend. Children and families in the area enjoyed our family oriented approach, including the Velcro Wall, Dunk Tank, Obstacle Course and Mini Carnival Games. We continue to support fundraising efforts of local organizations, such as the Amherst and area tae kwon do and Animal Rescue groups. Our organized rides also provide us the opportunity to showcase the beautiful landscapes and services offered by Amherst and Cumberland County.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

The financial contribution of the Town of Amherst enabled us to provide a successful family oriented festival by allowing us to hold activities and events free of charge for the whole community to enjoy. This enabled us to increase children's activities like the various inflatables and to provide and support local entertainment. As various costs and fees continue to increase in basically all areas, the continued support of the Town of Amherst is critical for us to maintain this well received family oriented festival.

Signature *Paulette Thurber*

Date Feb. 17, 2026



Date: March 10, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Great Amherst Cultural Society  
Full Mailing Address: 32 Queen St.  
Amherst, NS, B4H 1P9  
Contact Person: Charlie Rhindress  
Email Address: charlierhindress@hotmail.com  
Telephone: (902) 441-7641

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 7000

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

We are looking for support for Esther Fest, our annual celebration of the paranormal, which happens each October in Amherst. This community event attract both local attendees and people from throughout the Maritimes region.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

See attached

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
See Attached	

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 15



## **Town of Amherst - Community Support Grant Community Benefits - Esther Fest**

Esther Fest is a celebration of the paranormal, inspired by the story of Esther Cox and the Great Amherst Mystery, a supposedly true ghost story that has achieved worldwide notoriety. The Festival has grown significantly over the past few years and each year sees more and more community involvement, as well as increased interest from throughout the region.

The Town of Amherst hosts two events for Esther Fest: the Scarecrow Stroll and the Street Party. Last year saw the Scarecrow Stroll expanded to include private homeowners in addition to businesses. Over twenty local businesses participated as well as a number of private citizens. Hundreds more people visited the scarecrows. There were also hundreds of people at the annual Street Party and vendor market.

In addition to these Town sponsored events our annual Psychic Fair was sold out with five psychics each providing readings for twenty different people over two days. We co-produced a community theatre production, *Happily Ever Afterlife*, which sold over 400 tickets. We also had eight ghost investigations and six ghost walks. These events were almost all sold out, attracting another 200+ people. For the first time this past year we had a live psychic reading and a workshop on how to read oracle cards, which were both well attended. We also hosted a very popular youth dance, offering something for the younger members of our community, aged 11-15. In addition to these activities we promoted a number of special events presented by other members of the community. In total there were sixteen different events over a two week period.

For the first time this year we saw people traveling from throughout the region to take part in Esther Fest. We had visitors from Halifax, Pictou, Moncton and the Miramichi among others.

In total Esther Fest involved fifteen volunteers, over twenty local businesses, and well over 2000 attendees. The Town of Amherst took out TV ads for this past year's Festival spreading the word about this unique event throughout the region. We also had businesses reaching out to us for the first time, wanting to be part of Esther Fest. Both the Travelodge and the Comfort Inn offered special rates to people visiting Amherst for the Festival, and CKDH came on board as a major partner.

The Festival runs for ten to twelve days each year, giving us two full weekends of activity as well as a number of events throughout the week. Our ghost investigations have taken us to the Court House, the library, Town Hall, the local movie theatre, Dayle's and the Travelodge. This gives us a chance to tell more stories about Amherst than just Esther Cox and the Great Amherst Mystery.

We plan to add even more events next year with an Artisans Market and a Spooky Themed parade. With all of this growth we are hoping to add a pop up office for the duration of the Festival as well as an assistant who can help man the office, selling tickets and helping people

with their Esther Fest experience. We plan to create a display in the office space that celebrates the story of Esther Cox.

We are asking for a slight increase in funding from last year so that we can continue to grow the Festival and add these new elements. In addition to that, funding that we previously received from the Province of Nova Scotia is in jeopardy because they recently slashed the budget for that program in half.

Esther Fest would not exist without the support of the Town of Amherst. We hope that we can count on your continued support as we keep growing this Festival until we are the Salem of the North and the Ghost Capital of Canada. We are confident that with time and your support we will get there.

## Esther Fest 2026

### Proposed Budget

#### REVENUES

Fees - Box Office/Registration Fees	\$9,140
Federal - Canadian Heritage	\$12,120
County General Grant	\$2,000
Town of Amherst	\$7,000
Foundation/Sponsor	\$1,500
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$31,760</b>

#### EXPENSES

Venue Rental	\$2,050
<i>Production Costs</i>	
Tech support	\$150
Equipment Rental (Sound/lights/video)	\$350
Entertainment/Artistic Fees	\$8,600
Hospitality/Decor	\$500
Travel/Accommodation	\$1,000
Admin	
- Event Insurance	\$450
- Staff - Festival Coordinator	\$6,000
- Staff - Festival Assistant	\$4,800
- Pop Up Office	\$2,000
- Office Supplies/Rental	\$1,560
- Phone/Internet	\$600
- Banking/Accounting Fees	\$300
- Registration Fees	\$100
- Ticket/Box Office Costs	\$750
Publicity/Promotions	
- Radio Ads	\$750
- Social Media	\$300
- Website	\$1,000
- Flyer/Brochures/Posters	\$500
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$31,760</b>

**Esther Fest 2026**

**In-kind Community Contributions**

Name	Amount
CFTA Radio	\$300
CKDH Radio	\$500
Cumberland County Museum	\$200
Locations for Investigations	\$500
Travelodge	\$750
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,250</b>

We also receive annual support from the Town of Amherst  
That support is cash as well as in-kind for events produced  
and equals in excess of \$15,000



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Great Amherst Cultural Society

Address of Organization: 32 Queen St., Amherst, NS, B4H 1P9

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Charlie Rhindress

Email: charlierhindress@hotmail.com

Phone: 902-614-2666

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$5000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Please see the attached budget for a complete list of all expenses and revenues.

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

Esther Fest gives the community a chance to not only celebrate a bit of local history - The Great Amherst Mystery - but it also allows us to share other stories from the Town's past. This past year saw more volunteers taking part in the Festival and we also had more people attending our events. The play which we helped co-produce, Happily Ever Afterlife, far exceeded our expectations and the street party was a huge success, with hundreds of people filling downtown Amherst one Saturday afternoon. More than ever this last Festival seemed to see local citizens taking ownership of this story and their role in making Amherst the ghost capital of the region. People were going on ghost walks, visiting the local museum for a psychic reading, listening to local musicians at the street party and showing up to see an original play created by community members.

Esther Fest 2025 also gave local artists and heritage performers a chance to offer psychic readings, tell stories, perform at the street party, sell their goods at the vendor fair, and perform in a play. None of this would have been possible without Esther Fest and the support it receives from the Town of Amherst.

At least 1500 people took part in various events during Esther Fest. While many of those people were local citizens, this year more than ever, we saw people coming to Amherst specifically for Esther Fest. We had visitors from Halifax, Pictou, Moncton and the Miramichi to name a few.

With the continued support of The Town of Amherst, Esther Fest has grown significantly in the past three years. The Town of Amherst's television advertising for this year's Festival was a huge boost. With increased visibility we also have businesses approaching us wanting to support the Festival. This year saw the addition of the local radio station, CKDH, as well as the Travelodge, which provided us with a venue for events, and gave us accommodations for visiting participants at reduced rates. Other organizations like CFTA and the Cumberland County Museum have been involved for years and continue to support the Festival.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Quite simply we couldn't produce Esther Fest on the scale that we do without this support from The Town of Amherst. Aside from Canadian Heritage this grant is our largest source of funding and it allows us to make plans for the Festival with the confidence that we can cover our costs.

With the support of this grant we are able to offer our events at prices that are considerably less than people would pay in a larger centre. We pride ourselves on trying to make our events accessible to everyone. Our ghost walk costs just \$10 where one would pay \$25 in Halifax. The Psychic Fair offers readings for \$30 when people often pay \$40+ in larger centres, etc.

Signature Charlie Rhindress

Date March 4, 2026



<b>Esther Fest 2025</b>	
Final Budget	
<b>REVENUES</b>	
Fees - Box Office/Registration Fees	\$9,759
Federal - Canadian Heritage	\$7,700
Town of Amherst	\$5,000
Contribution from Esther Fest surplus	\$7,031
<b>TOTAL REVNUES</b>	<b>\$29,490</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Equipment Rental	\$0
Transportation/Accomodation	\$450
Facility Rentals	\$2,235
Event supplies	\$371
Utilities - Phone Internet	\$600
<i>OTHER</i>	
Tech Support	\$300
Entertainment/Artistic Fees	\$13,281
Hospitality	\$735
Merchandising/Swag	\$1,462
Event Insurance	\$357
Festival Coordinator	\$6,000
Office Supplies/Rental	\$1,800
Banking/Accounting	\$472
Registration Fees	\$31
Ticket/Box Office Costs	\$57
Publicity/Promotions	\$1,339
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$29,490</b>

March 29, 2026

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P.O. Box 516  
Amherst, NS B4H 4A1

To Whom It May Concern

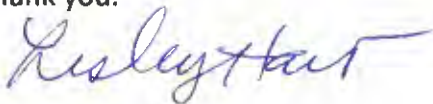
RE: Community Supports Grant Application  
Nova Scotia Fibre Arts Festival 2026

I am writing to you on behalf of the Fibre Arts Festival Society of Nova Scotia. Our society will be hosting the Nova Scotia Fibre Arts Festival this year from October 13-17, 2026. Most of the instructors are from the local area (Cumberland County), and events will be held in Amherst. We received enthusiastic support for the 2025 Festival, not just from fibre enthusiasts, but from the local community and businesses as well. We are working to make this year's Festival just as successful, with even more events planned.

Our small group of active volunteers work hard to make every Festival a success, but we require some financial assistance to continue to make this happen. Our highest expenses will be venue rental costs, insurance costs, advertising, and printing costs (posters, maps, and informational/promotional materials). Feedback from the 2025 Festival indicated that we need to advertise and promote the Festival more broadly through the Maritimes, so this is something we need to add to our 2026 Budget. Financial support from the Town of Amherst would be most appreciated for us to continue to make the Nova Scotia Fibre Arts Festival a success, bringing visitors to the Town where they stay in local hotels, eat at local restaurants, and shop in local stores.

We appreciate you taking time to review our application, and would welcome any assistance you may be able to offer us this year.

Thank you.



Lesley Hart  
Treasurer, Fibre Arts Festival Society of Nova Scotia  
24 D Derby Street  
Amherst, NS B4H 3X7  
(902) 664-6261  
lesley.e.hart@gmail.com

Date: March 29, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Fibre Arts Festival Society of Nova Scotia  
 Full Mailing Address: 24D Derby Street  
Amherst, NS B4H 3X7  
 Contact Person: Lesley Hart  
 Email Address: lesley.e.hart@gmail.com  
 Telephone: (902) 664-6261

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 2,500.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

2026 Nova Scotia Fibre Arts Festival, October 13-17, 2026

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

This annual festival brings hundreds of fibre-arts enthusiasts to the Amherst area over a five-day period. Events are held in a number of venues throughout the town, and participants stay in local hotels, eat at local restaurants, and shop in local stores through the week. Local businesses support us through window displays and special deals for festival attendees.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Municipality of Cumberland	applied
Christie-Smith Community Fund	applied

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 20 volunteers

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**Fibre Arts Festival Society of Nova Scotia**  
Nova Scotia Fibre Arts Festival  
2026 Budget

<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
Local Funding (3 grant applications, awaiting response)	6,000.00
Assets in Bank Account	2,273.14
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b><u>8,272.14</u></b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
Printing Costs	2,000.00
Dues and Fees (Registry of Joint Stocks)	31.15
Insurance	1,250.00
Bank Service Charges	36.00
Venue Rentals	2,000.00
Opening Event	900.00
Advertising	500.00
Domain Name Renewal	34.50
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>300.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>7,051.65</u></b>

**Fibre Arts Festival Society of Nova Scotia**  
**Nova Scotia Fibre Arts Festival**  
**2025 Budget**

<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
Local Funding (3 grant applications, awaiting response)	4,000.00	3,000.00
Deanne Fitzpatrick Studio donation (not yet confirmed)	500.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b><u>4,500.00</u></b>	<b><u>3,000.00</u></b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
Printing Costs	1,000.00	876.66
Dues and Fees (Registry of Joint Stocks)	31.15	31.15
Insurance	1,250.00	1,176.03
Bank Service Charges	36.00	36.00
Venue Rentals	1,750.00	1,435.00
Opening Event	500.00	864.30
Advertising	500.00	0.00
Domain Name Renewal	34.50	34.50
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>300.00</u>	<u>292.87</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>5,401.65</u></b>	<b><u>4,746.51</u></b>
	<b>(-901.15)</b>	<b>(-1,746.51)</b>



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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES FOR

FUBRE ARTS SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA

(society name)

for the fiscal period ending

2025/12/31

(yyyy/mm/dd)

2025

Income

Membership fees

Fund raising

~~Other revenue~~ Grants

Other revenue

3,000.00

A. Total Income

3,000.00

Expenditures

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Administration ~~PRINTING COSTS~~

Education and training DOMAIN NAME RENEWAL

Insurance

Professional fees Annual RJS fee

Salaries Venue Rentals

Other expenditures Opening event

Other expenditures BANK SERVICE CHARGES

292.87

876.66

34.50

1176.03

31.15

1435.00

864.30

36.00

B. Total Expenditures

4746.05

C. Net Surplus or (Deficit) (A - B = C)

(-1746.05)

D. Surplus or (Deficit), beginning of year

4019.65

E. Surplus or (Deficit), end of year (C + D = E)

2273.14

Auditor or  
Director:

Lesley Hart  
(signature)

Director:

(signature)

LESLEY HART  
(name)

(name)

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BALANCE SHEET FOR

FIBRE ARTS SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA  
(society name)

for the fiscal period ending 2025/12/31  
(yyyy/mm/dd)

2025

Assets

Current Assets

- Cash and deposits
- Accounts receivable
- Prepaid expenses

4019.65  
3000.00

Capital/Fixed Assets

- Equipment
- Land and buildings
- Other capital/fixed Assets

7019.65

A. Total Assets

Liabilities

Current liabilities

- Amounts payable
- Taxes payable

Long Term Debt

- Mortgage
- Other

4746.51

B. Total Liabilities

Equity

Retained earnings/deficit

General reserve

2273.14

C. Total Equity

2273.14

Total Liabilities and Equity (A must equal B + C)

0

7019.65

Auditor or  
Director:

Lesley Hart  
(signature)

Director:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

LESLEY HART  
(name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(name)



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Fibre Arts Festival Society of Nova Scotia

Address of Organization: c/o 24D Derby Street, Amherst, NS B4H 3X7

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Lesley Hart

Email: lesley.e.hart@gmail.com

Phone: (902) 664-6261

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$2,000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Insurance \$1,176.03	Registry of Joint Stocks Fee \$31.15
Venue Rentals \$1,435.00	Domain Name registration fee \$34.50
Printing Costs \$876.66	Miscellaneous Expenses \$292.87
Opening Event costs \$864.30	Bank Service Charges \$36.00
<b>Total Expenses: \$4,748.51</b>	

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

All of our events were well attended, with great feedback from participants, vendors, and instructors. We received valuable suggestions for the 2026 Festival, and we look forward to being able to continue to improve the Fibre Arts Festival next year.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

This generous grant from the Town of Amherst, coupled with another grant from the Christie-Smith Community Fund, enabled us to cover the majority of Festival expenses this year. The Festival would not have happened without the continued support of the Town of Amherst. The Festival is also grateful for the strong support and participation of local businesses and organizations. In turn, Festival participants shop, eat, and stay in local businesses while they are in Amherst.

Signature Lesley Hart

Date February 20, 2026



Date: March 20th 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Relay for Life - Amherst Chapter  
 Full Mailing Address: 23 Harding Avenue  
Amherst, NS B4H 2A8  
 Contact Person: Laura Farrow  
 Email Address: laura\_ashley\_farrow@hotmail.com  
 Telephone: 902-669-1252

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 1000

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

The proposed project is to aid in the relocation of the communities Relay for Life event. While the new location offers significant benefits in terms of accessibility, and participant experience, it also comes with increased rental costs. Funding from this grant will help offset these additional expenses, ensuring that the funds raised can be directed to support cancer research and vital support programs.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

Event Participation numbers: 200-300 including survivors, caregivers, volunteers, and team members. This event will serve as a local and regional attraction for the Amherst and surrounding area. Time span will be 6-12 hours in length with local supporters and spectators throughout the day/evening. The new venue will use a community space at the local high school. Local businesses may provide in kind donations

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Canadian Cancer Society	\$2000
Municipality of Cumberland	\$1000 (requested)

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 15

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# Relay For Life - Cumberland

Proposed Event Budget 2026

Expense Category	Description	Estimated Cost
1 Venue Rental	Rental of new accessible event space	\$ 1,900.00
2 Participants of Hope Meal	Meal and Refreshments for POH	\$ 700.00
3 Event Supplies	Candles, Signage, Materials ie. Markers, stencils, etc	\$ 300.00
4 Decorations	Themed Décor, survivor recognition	\$ 450.00
5 Audio/Entertainment	Sound system and entertainers	\$ 250.00
6 Printing and Promotion	Posters, outreach materials	\$ 200.00
7 Miscellaneous	Unforeseen expenses	\$ 200.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>

Sources of Revenue	Amount
1 Contribution from Canadian Cancer Society	\$ 2,000.00
2 Grant Funding (Requested)	\$ 2,000.00 *
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>

\*\$1000 from Municipality of Cumberland and \$1000 from Town of Amherst\*

Date: March 25, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Amherst Downtown Business Association

Full Mailing Address: 129 Victoria St. E.

Amherst N.S B4H 1X9

Contact Person: Karen McKinnon

Email Address: Maritimemosaic@gmail.com

Telephone: 902-661-2137

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 20,000.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

The funding requested would be used towards a concert at the Amherst Stadium. The intent would be to bring our community together for an all age event as well as to attract visitors from N.B, P.E.I., and others parts of N.S. (please see attached document)

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

To boost community spirit. Will attract new visitors to Amherst. People may stay in our hotels, Airbnbs, and shop before at our local businesses. Supporting Nova Scotia Artists. Raising funds for future Arts and Culture events in Amherst.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Will be scouting for sponsors	
Ticket Sales	
Provincial Grants	

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 20 -25

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March 25, 2026

**Community Support Grants  
Request for Financial Support**

**In regards to a concert in August at the Amherst Stadium.**

**I am asking for the town to award the Amherst Downtown Business Association 40 % of the required amount for a community event in August. The amount we are looking for would be \$20,000 or \$15,000 with the stadium and security in lieu of. The event is planned to take place on August 6th or 7th. We plan to have the event from 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm. This event would aim to attract around 1500 people selling tickets between \$50.00 to \$75.00 a piece.**

**The purpose of this is to not only give our community a fun summer event, but to also attract visitors from New Brunswick, PEI, and other communities in Nova Scotia. In hopes that we see increased traffic into our businesses, Hotels, Airbnbs, and hopefully generate repeat visitors. Money generated from the event will go into the Amherst Downtown Business Association account which will be held to use on future events in Amherst.**

**The night of the event we will have the stadium broken down into different sections in which floor seats will be a different cost then bleacher seating. As well alcohol will be sold and drank and maintained in a designated area.**

**Security will be planned and coordinated with the amount of tickets sold and would meet requirements.**

**People will be searched before the event and then will be given a bracelet and information about what to do and where to stay in Amherst.**

**Parking Attendance will be on scene.**

**We would look to have Dwayne Ripley operate the Canteen during that time. We would look at another local organization to sell and handle alcohol sales. As well as maybe collecting a non perishable food item for the food bank.**

**Performers have a required amount of equipment that still needs to be sourced but will provide a copy of Classifieds contract in this email. I will be sourcing and breaking down costs within the next week.**

**Costs of Performers**

<b>The Continuance</b>	<b>\$2000</b>
<b>Quake Matthews</b>	<b>\$2000</b>
<b>Ria Mae</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>
<b>Classified</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
<b>Back Stage Ryder</b>	<b>\$500</b>
<b>Stage Rental</b>	<b>\$2500</b>
<b>Stage Equipment</b>	<b>\$2500 ? not totaled yet</b>
<b>Security</b>	<b>\$2000</b>
<b>Hotel 6 Rooms</b>	<b>\$700 hoping to get donated</b>
<b>Stadium Rental</b>	<b>? Hoping to have donated</b>
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>\$51,200</b>

**Committee members and volunteers will be established by the middle of April.  
Any questions can be directed to Karen McKinnon.**

**Thank you for your consideration for this community event.**



**2026  
FESTIVAL**

**1. COMPENSATION**

In all cases the balance of any guarantee shall be paid by CERTIFIED CHEQUE/WIRE TRANSFER no later than one (1) hour prior to Artists performance. All cheques must be made out to HALFLIFE RECORDS INC.

**2. COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS & PASSES**

Purchaser shall provide, at Purchaser's expense, twenty (20) complimentary tickets and twenty (20) backstage passes for each performance. Tickets and passes shall be given to the Tour Manager upon arrival at the venue.

**3. BILLING & ADVERTISING**

The Artist shall receive appropriate billing in any and all publicity releases and paid advertisements, including but not limited to: programs, flyers, signs, lobby boards and marquees, as well as all other displays and publications where Artist's name appears in connection with the engagement herein.

Management will have prior approval on any and all radio, television, newspaper and/or magazine interviews (requiring the participation of Artist) in conjunction with this performance. If you do not know how to spell the Artist's name or singles correctly, please ask!!

**Billed as: "Classified"**

#### **4. DRESSING ROOM/CATERING REQUIREMENTS**

Purchaser shall provide at his/her sole cost expense ONE (1) spacious dressing room with a lockable door. The dressing room shall be clean and comfortable, and shall contain adequate lighting, mirrors, ironing board and iron, comfortable seating and toilet facilities within close proximity. NO unauthorized persons shall be allowed access to this area at any time. Passes should be provided specifically to a secure area and checked for entry. Artists and touring personnel with ALL ACCESS passes will be allowed to escort people backstage. **Security will be outside the room at all times.**

#### **CATERING: ARTIST REPRESENTATIVE WILL CONFIRM BELOW CATERING 24 HOURS BEFORE THE SHOW – GREEN ROOM MUST BE READY FOR LOAD IN- NO EXCEPTIONS**

There shall be complimentary food and beverages for Artist and crew (Eight), consisting of:

- 48 x bottles of Water - FIJI or Dasani preferred (ABSOLUTELY NO NESTLE)
- 2 x packs of 32 Red Plastic Cups
- 24 cans of Bud Light Beer
- 1 x 26oz bottle of Captain Morgan's Spiced Rum (no substitutes please)
- 2 x 26oz bottles of ABSOLUT Vodka (or Equivalent - NO SMIRNOFF)
- 8 x 355ml CUT WATER (Rum Mai Tai Flavor)
- 2 x 1L bottle of Ocean Spray CRANBERRY Cocktail (no substitutes please)
- 4 cans of Red Bull (no substitutes please)
- 12 cans of Dr. Pepper
- 12 cans of Canada Dry OR Schweppes Ginger Ale
- 12 cans of Sprite
- 6 cans of Red or Orange 'Bubly' Sparkling Water
- 12 Hand-sized towels for the stage - (WHITE OR BLACK ONLY)
- 1 x 1L DISTILLED Water (A MUST - no substitutions please)
- 4 packs of assorted Gum (Mint flavored)

\*\*\*PLEASE KEEP ALL WATER AT ROOM TEMPERATURE\*\*\*

\*\*\*PLEASE KEEP REFRESHED ICE FOR MIXED DRINKS\*\*\*

#### **DINNER and CATERING**

**Tour Manager will confirm meals day before show or will opt that \$30 buyout for eight (8) people will be payable.**

Please provide all proper utensils, plates, forks, knives, spoons, napkins, cups and all condiments (hot sauce, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, salt and pepper, etc.)

## 5. SECURITY

Purchaser shall guarantee proper security at all times to insure the safety of Artists instruments, costumes and personal property before, during and after their performance. Any loss or damage to Artists property shall be the sole responsibility of the Purchaser.

## 6. SOUND CHECK

A sound check is required prior to the performance. The place of engagement shall be ready and available to the Artist a minimum of three (3) hours prior to doors on the day of engagement. Lighting and Sound technicians contracted by the Purchaser (I.E. those who will be operating the systems during the performance) shall be available to do a complete rehearsal. Sound check will be approximately ninety (90) minutes.

## 7. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The attached stage plot and input list are essential parts of the technical requirements.

### BACKLINE

In the event that the Purchaser is providing backline, they shall provide and pay for the following equipment for Musicians' performance and sound check - the Artist's requirements are as follows:

- A. Professional 5 way active sound system (front end, front monitor, side monitor) and competent system technicians and stage monitor engineer.  
**SIDEFILLS FOR STAGE ARE A MUST!**
- B. Professional lighting system with operator. (On site for duration of performance)
- C. Six (6) wireless vocal microphones (SHURE BETA 58 WIRELESS)
- D. Two (2) Rane model 'Twelve' Turntable Controllers  
OR Two (2) Technic model SL-1200 MK2 Turntables WITH Flight cases (**fully calibrated in full working order**)
- E. One (1) Pioneer S9/S11 DJ Mixer (if not available, Rane 72 Performance Mixer - this must be advanced with Tour Manager)
- F. One (1) STABLE 6ft DJ Table or Booth (**ABSOLUTELY NO FOLDING TABLES**)
- G. One (1) BLACK cloth dressing for DJ table/booth

H. One (1) Pearl Reference Series Drum Kit (Reference Pure or Masters Series can be substituted - any other substitutions must be advanced with Tour Manager):

Drums:

- One (1) 22x18 Bass Drum
- One (1) 10x8 Rack Tom
- One (1) 12x8 Rack Tom
- One (1) 16x14 Floor Tom
- One (1) 14x5 Reference Brass Snare (14x6.5 Sensitone/Reference 20 Ply can be substituted)
- One (1) Eliminator 2050 Series or Redline Chain Driven Foot Pedal
- Two (2) x Drum Thrones/Stool (Please have 2 available)

Cymbals (Sabian/HHX/Complex/Evaluation (please include all necessary stands):

- Medium Hi-Hats (15"/38cm)
- Thin Crash (18"/46cm)
- Thin Crash (19"/48cm)
- Ozone Crash (19")
- Medium Ride (12"/53cm)
- Splash (10"x25cm)

I. 8ft x 8ft Riser/Platform for DJ position (**ROLLING**)

J. Two (2) 1/4 inch cables (Sampler)

K. One (1) Keyboard, Roland RD 2000 (or 800)

L. One. (1) Stereo DI input for Keyboard

M. One (1) Fender Deluxe Reverb OR Fender Deville amp

N. One (1) Flight case (Approx. 3-4 feet high) OR small table for Sampler (**MUST BE ROLLABLE**)

### **PA SYSTEM**

1. The Purchaser shall supply, at no cost to the Artist, a professional 3, 4 or 5 way actively crossed over stereo PA System (EAW, EV, JBL, or equivalent) of a size to evenly cover entire seating area. The system should have a frequency response at or better than +/- 3dB from 40 Hz-18kHz, and must be able to supply 115 dB of A weighted clean SPL at the center of the house (to ensure adequate headroom). Purchaser shall also provide competent system technicians, FOH, monitor and Lighting engineers (per advance) to operate equipment during sound check and the performance. TM will perform FOH duties for performance.

2. The PA System will include a FOH console (Avid, Digico, Midas, Yamaha or equivalent - (NO SOUNDCRAFT OR A&H) with at least 32 inputs, 4

subgroups, 4 band sweepable EQs and working inserts on all channels and subgroups. 48 volt phantom power must be functioning on all channels.

3. House processing to include:

- a. Two (2) – 1/3 octave EQs for mains
- b. Six (6) – Insertable compressors
- c. Four (4) – Insertable noise gates
- d. Two (2) – Digital reverbs
- e. One (1) – Digital delay

4. Purchaser shall provide, at no cost to the Artist, a stage monitor system.

The monitor console (Midas, Yamaha, Soundcraft or the alike) should have at least 24 inputs with at least six (6) discrete outputs plus cue output. Matching 31 band 1/3 octave EQs should be inserted on all outputs.

5. The monitor system should include high quality bi-amped monitor wedges to be laid out according to the attached stage plot.

6. Monitor system **MUST include SIDE FILLS.**

7. Monitor system **MUST include a minimum of 2 Channels of In Ear Monitors (Transmitter/Receiver)**

8. The PA system should include all necessary microphones, stands, DIs, and cables to accommodate the attached input list. Five (5) 110V AC/60Hz 15 amp outlets should be available for backline on the stage as indicated.

### LIGHTING

1. Purchaser shall provide, at no cost to the Artist, one (1) complete lighting system, including a **qualified/competent** lighting operator to run the show.

2. The lighting system should consist of a front and back truss, all required dimmers, cabling, and console. Enough lighting should be provided to cover the entire stage with a minimum of three (3) front and three (3) rear washes. Additionally, specials should be provided on separate channels for each position on stage.

3. Minimum Six (6) Intelligent lights

### STAGING

1. The stage should be a minimum 30 feet wide and 20 feet deep. The stage must be uniformly smooth and level. **If the stage is hardwood or any other slick surface, please provide a small rug for the center vocal position.**

2. On outdoor shows, two (2) rolls of plastic sheeting should be available to cover artist's equipment in case of rain.

## **8. LODGING**

In the event Purchaser is responsible for Artist's lodging, reservations for EIGHT (8) SINGLE KING hotel rooms will be made in advance, at four (4) or five (5) star hotels only, and must have complimentary WIFI. **Single accommodations are a MUST.** Please have hotel information for the Tour Manager with a paid confirmation number within one week of the event.

#### **9. CANCELLATION**

Artist may cancel and terminate this contract and the services to be rendered hereunder, without liability, on thirty (30) days prior written notice to the Purchaser.

#### **10. REPRODUCTION**

No portion of the performance rendered herein may be broadcast, photographed, recorded, filmed or taped or embodied in any form for any purpose of reproducing such performance without Artist's written consent. Purchaser will deny entrance to any persons carrying audio or video recording devices. Without limiting in any way the generality of the foregoing prohibition, it is understood to include members of the audience, the press and Purchaser's staff members.

In the event that Purchaser, its Agents, servants, employees, contractors, etc, reproduce or cause to be reproduced the Artist's performance in the form of films, tapes, or any other means of audio or reproduction, upon demand by Artist, Purchaser shall deliver all of the same (together with any and all masters, negatives and other means of reproductions thereof) to Artist at Purchaser's sole cost and expense, in addition to all other legal or equitable remedies that Artist may have.

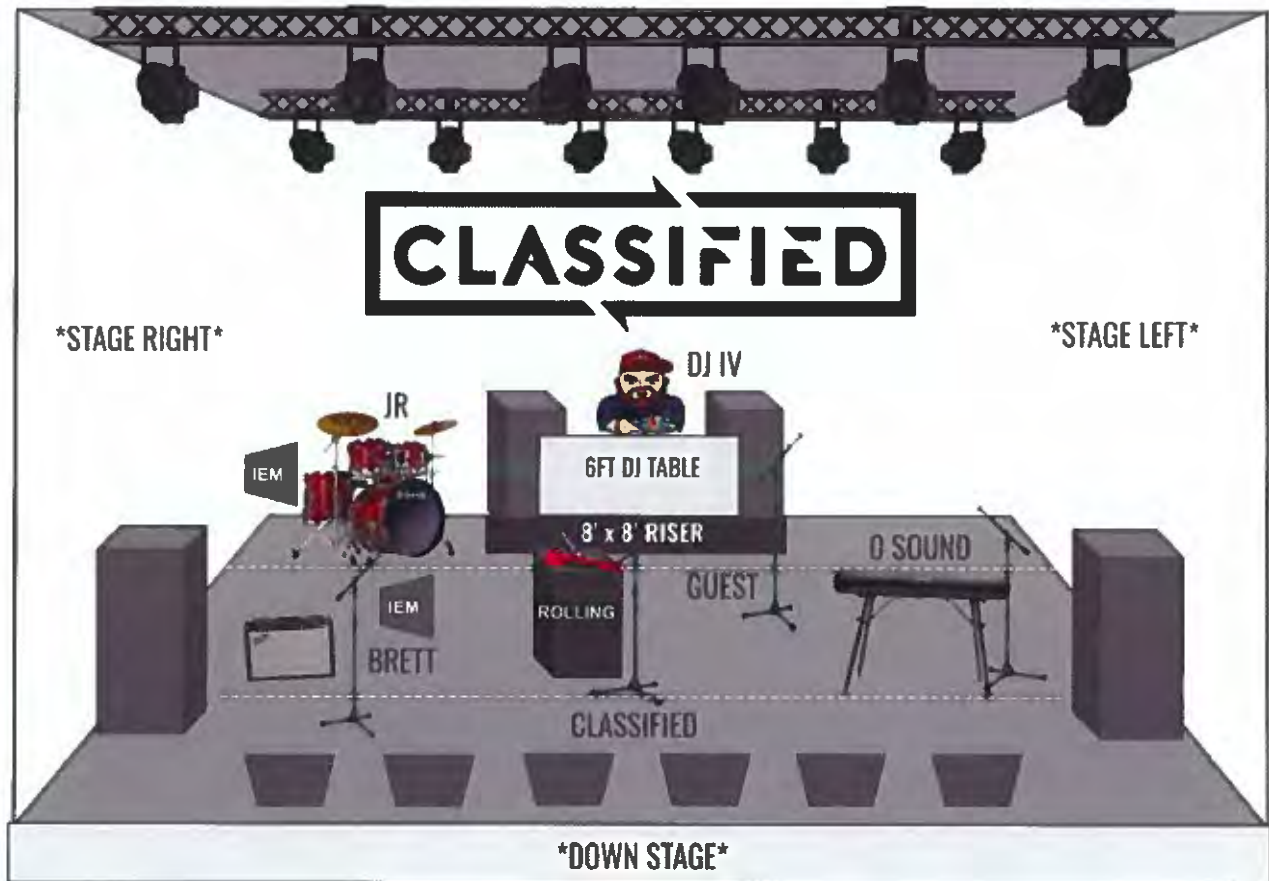
**AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED:**

**PURCHASER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ARTIST:** \_\_\_\_\_

# CLASSIFIED

## Input List - FESTIVAL 2026

Channel	Instrument	Input Source	Stand Style	Inserts	NOTES
1	KICK	'Advance'	Short Boom	Comp/Gate	MON. MIX 1 - DOWNSTAGE MONITORS
2	SNARE	'Advance'	'Clip/Claw'	Comp/Gate	MON. MIX 2 - SIDE FILLS
3	RACK	'Advance'	'Clip/Claw'	Comp/Gate	MON. MIX 3 - DJ
4	FLOOR	'Advance'	'Clip/Claw'	Comp/Gate	MON. MIX 4&5 - GUITAR/DRUMS (IEM REQ)
5	OH (L)	'Advance'	Tall Boom	-	'FESTIVAL TO PROVIDE MINIMUM TWO (2) IEM TRANS./REC'
6	OH (R)	'Advance'	Tall Boom	-	'ALL DRUMS - UPSTAGE RIGHT'
7	DJ (L)	DJ MIXER via XLR	(N/A)	-	'DJ -UPSTAGE CENTRE'
8	DJ (R)	DJ MIXER via XLR	(N/A)	-	^
9	MPC (L)	SAMPLER via D.I. BOX	(N/A)	-	'SAMPLER - MIDSTAGE CENTRE'
10	MPC (R)	SAMPLER via D.I. BOX	(N/A)	-	^
11	KEYS (MONO)	via XLR (L)	(N/A)	-	'KEYS - MIDSTAGE LEFT'
12	ELECTRIC (MONO)	Shure SM57/Senn. Ego6	Short Boom	-	ALL GUITARS - DOWNSTAGE RIGHT'
13	ACOUSTIC (MONO)	via D.I. BOX	(N/A)	-	^
14	VOX 1 - O SOUND (WRL)	SHURE WIRELESS	Tall Boom	Comp/Verb/Delay	'KEYS POS. - MIDSTAGE LEFT'
15	VOX 2 - CLASSIFIED (WRL)	SHURE WIRELESS	Tall Boom	Comp/Verb/Delay	'SAMPLER POS. - MIDSTAGE CENTRE'
16	VOX 3 - GUEST 1 (WRL)	SHURE WIRELESS	Tall Boom	Comp/Verb	'MIDSTAGE CENTRE'
17	VOX 4 - BRETT (WIRED)	Shure SM58/Senn. E835 via XLR	Tall Boom	Comp/Verb/Delay	'GUITAR POS. - DOWNSTAGE RIGHT'
18	VOX 5 - DJ IV (WIRED)	Shure SM58/Senn. E835 via XLR	Tall Boom	Comp	'DJ POS - UPSTAGE CENTRE'
19	VOX 6 - GUEST 2/SPARE (WRL)	SHURE WIRELESS	Straight Boom	Comp/Verb/Delay	'STAGE ENTRY'



Date: March 30, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: YMCA of Cumberland  
Full Mailing Address: PO Box 552, 92 Church St, Amherst, NS B4H 4A1  
Contact Person: Beth Doucette  
Email Address: beth.doucette@cumberland.ymca.ca  
Telephone: (902) 667-9112

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 1000.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

see attached

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

See attached

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 35-40 volunteers

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 B4H4A1  
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3. On Sunday, June 21, 2026, the YMCA of Cumberland, in partnership with local community organizations, will host Cumberland County's 3rd Annual YMCA Kids of Steel Triathlon.

Designed for participants aged 3–15, this event provides children from across Cumberland County and beyond the opportunity to experience swimming, biking, and running in a fun and supportive triathlon setting. Our goal is to inspire a lifelong love of physical activity while helping to foster the next generation of triathletes in our province.

The Kids of Steel Triathlon is an introductory, non-competitive event focused on participation, confidence-building, and achievement. The emphasis is on every child successfully crossing the finish line while enjoying a welcoming environment that encourages connection, learning, and play.

4.

**Kids of Steel Budget**

<b>Expenses</b>		
Lifeguards	\$	198.00
Facility/ Venue	\$	250.00
T-shirts	\$	1,367.35
Medals	\$	655.00
Prizes (\$50X6)	\$	300.00
BBQ/ Food Supplies	\$	350.00
Swag Bags	\$	250.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,370.35</b>

<b>Revenue</b>		
Facility Rental (In-Kind)	\$	250.00
Registration Fees (Estimated)	\$	1,800.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,050.00</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,050.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,370.35</b>
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>-\$</b>	<b>1,320.35</b>



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5. The Kids of Steel Triathlon is designed as an introductory, youth-focused event that prioritizes participation, skill development, and the achievement of crossing the finish line. The event provides a supportive and inclusive environment in which children can be introduced to the sport of triathlon while fostering confidence, physical literacy, and a sense of accomplishment. Additionally, it creates meaningful opportunities for social connection, experiential learning, and active play within the community.

Through funding support, we aim to enhance the quality and accessibility of this event by reducing or eliminating participation costs. This approach will help mitigate financial barriers and ensure equitable access for children and families across our community, enabling broader participation and promoting healthy, active lifestyles for all.

## 6. Funding Partners

At this time, we have not yet secured additional funding partners; however, we are actively engaging with potential funders to support this event. Our goal is to build a strong network of support that will enable us to provide children across Cumberland County with the highest quality, inclusive, and engaging experience possible.

Date: March 11, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Amherst Minor Basketball Association

Full Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: Marlon Chase

Email Address: marlonchase@outlook.com

Telephone: 902-664-6347

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED

\$\$1500

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

We are in desperate need of extra gym time to accomodate our growing association.

We are requesting funds to use towards weekend gym rentals for practices. This would cover custodians.

Our weekday practices do not cost, but using the gyms on the weekend would be an added cost.

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

This would allow us to continue to grow the association and not have to limit registration numbers.

If we don't have enough gym time we can't have extra teams etc.

This would allow all kids to play without making cuts.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
West Highlands School	
Spring Street Academy	

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: All volunteers with AMBA

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Date: March 18, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Cumberland County Minor Baseball Association  
 Full Mailing Address: 1301 Hwy 6 Warren NS B4H 3Y2  
 Contact Person: Dawn Boutilier / Terry McManaman  
 Email Address: dawnmurphy2003@hotmail.com  
 Telephone: 902-664-0709

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 18 660.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)  
Co-ed baseball league in Cumberland county for boys ages 13-15 and girls ages 13-16 first time in 14 years.

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)  
Provide baseball for 60 kids who are too old to play little league ball.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Tim Mc Sorely	\$ 1000.00
Applied to Grants - Municipality of Cumberland, Christie Foundation + Amherst Fire Fighters	

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 15-20



# Maltby Sports

# INVOICE

Invoice #: 10111

Invoice date:

Job:

133 S Albion st

Amherst NS, CAN B4H2X2

P: 902-667-3496

[chris@holmesandmaltby.com](mailto:chris@holmesandmaltby.com)

Bill to: Amherst Little  
League

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Item #	Description	Qty	Unit price	Discount	Price
	T-shirt Jersey	80	\$44.00		\$3,520.00
	Two button jersey	80	\$56.00		\$4,480.00
	Augusta Pants	80	\$40.00		\$3,200.00
	Rawlings Plain pants	80	\$40.00		\$3,200.00
	Rawlings Piping	80	\$70.00		\$5,600.00
	Belts	80	\$10.00		\$800.00
	Catcher set (cheap)	8	\$250.00		\$2,000.00
	Catcher set (quality)	8	\$430.00		\$3,440.00
	Catcher Glove (cheap)	8	\$99.00		\$792.00
	Catcher Glove (quality)	8	\$200.00		\$1,600.00
	Bat ( cheap)	5	\$99.00		\$495.00
	Bat (quality)	5	\$250.00		\$1,250.00
	Scorebook	8	\$10.00		\$80.00
	Whistle balls	10	\$30.00		\$300.00
	Batting Helmets	20	\$40.00		\$800.00
	Practice balls	12	\$50.00		\$600.00
	Hats	80	\$30.00		\$2,400.00
	Balls	12	\$80.00		\$960.00
	Lineup card	8	\$30.00		\$240.00
<b>Invoice Subtotal</b>					<b>\$35,757.00</b>
<b>Tax Rate</b>					<b>14.00%</b>
<b>Sales Tax</b>					<b>\$5,005.98</b>
<b>Deposit Received</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>\$40,762.98</b>

# BANTAM LEAGUE - COST ESTIMATE

UMPIRE	\$4000.00
BASEBALLS	\$1500.00
BATS	5000.00
CATCHERS GEAR	\$3440.00
CATCHERS GLOVES	1600.00
SCORE BOOKS	80.00
LINE UP SHEETS	\$240.00
4 KIT BAGS	
BATTING HELMETS	\$800.00
	\$16660.00

UNIFORMS	4700.00
FULL SET MALIBYS	14940.00
FULL SET CARTERS	20430.00

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OUR BUDGET	SEASON	\$16660.00
	AWARDS	\$2000.00

Date: January 21, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Cumberland County  
 Full Mailing Address: 37 Mallard Drive  
Amherst, NS B4H0E1  
 Contact Person: Natalie Bova  
 Email Address: natalieabova@gmail.com  
 Telephone: 902-667-6848

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 5,322.74

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)  
Two months worth of free books going to 664+ children in Cumberland County to inspire a love of reading and to improve literacy.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)  
Early childhood education and exposure to books and reading is recognized as being the biggest predictor of creating successful learners.  
Our focus is to have children prepared for preschool readiness. As our society becomes more complex, it is critical that we can provide this opportunity to our families so that no one is left behind. Reading with young children also allows for the ever-important bonding time within the family unit that is essential in the development of a young child.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Municipality of Cumberland	\$5,000
Mr. and Mrs. Christie Smith Foundation	\$6,500
United Way Maritimes	\$5,000

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 1

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Date: Feb. 26, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Cumberland Twilers Square Dance Club  
 Full Mailing Address: % denise allan, Vice President  
29 N. Adelaide St. Amherst, NS B4H 3M7  
 Contact Person: denise allan  
 Email Address: allandenise@hotmail.com  
 Telephone: 902 667 8491

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 2116.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

The Cumberland Twilers Club is requesting financial support from the Town of Amherst to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for use during our weekly dances and community events.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request. Attached.

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community) Our club is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization based in Amherst, that provides affordable, accessible recreation and social connection for residents of all ages. Many of our members are older adults and individuals with chronic health conditions, making cardiac emergency preparedness an essential component

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event: of ensuring a safe and inclusive environment.

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
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7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: Cumberland Twilers is the largest square dance club in The Maritimes with 47 members

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**QUOTATION ONLY- DO NOT PAY**

Quote #: 20260224-233MR

Date: 24-Feb-26

Customer: Denise Allan

Terms: Net 30 days

FOB: Dundas, ON

Attn: Denise Allan  
Phone: 902-667-8491  
e-mail: Allandenise@hotmail.com



Item	Item Number	Description	QTY	Unit Price	Total Price
1	112PL-K	<b>ZOLL AED Plus</b>	1	\$2,265.00	\$2,265.00
	Discount	<b>FLASH SALE</b>	1	-\$500.00	-\$500.00
		<i>Includes the following:</i>			
	20100000102011060	<b>ZOLL AED Plus - Semi-automatic</b> Features: ZOLL Real CPR Help - Interactive CPR rate and depth feedback. Unique ZOLL graphical interface - pictures combined with audio voice prompts and text displays (LCD screen showing voice prompt messages, device advisory messages, elapsed time, shock count and chest compression graph). 2010 Guidelines Supplied with Public Safety PASS Cover, Set-Up and Practice DVD, Softcase and Operator's Guide. Standard Five Year Warranty. <i>Note: AED Plus Warranty will be extended by ZOLL for 2 additional years upon registration of the unit with ZOLL.</i>	1	Included	Included
	8000-0807-01	Type 123 Lithium Batteries Qty. of ten (10).	1	Included	Included
	8900-0800-01	CPR-D Pads One piece defibrillation and CPR System with compression, depth and rate sensors. Supplied with gloves, barrier mask, scissors, razor, wet wipe and dry wipe. Five (5) year shelf life.	1	Included	Included
	AED-BONUS	AED Bonus Pack Includes 1 AED inspection tag, 1 battery replacement reminder sticker, 1 AED Wall Sticker, and 1 AED Window Sticker.	1	Included	Included
	TRACK-1	TrackMyAED.ca Offers real time information and automated updates regarding all of your AED's, accessories, and trained responders.	1	Included	Included
2	AB1	Adjustable AED Wall Bracket	1	\$75.00	\$75.00
<b>Options</b>					<b>Add Options</b>
1	8900-0800-01	CPR-D Pads (spare set)	1	\$249.00	
2	8000-0807-01	Type 123 Lithium Batteries (spare) Qty of ten (10)	1	\$118.00	
3	8900-0810-01	Pedi-pads II Pediatric Multi-Function Electrode Designed for use with the ZOLL AED Plus defibrillator. The AED recognizes when Pedi-pads II are connected and automatically proceeds with a pediatric ECG and adjusts energy to pediatric levels. One Pair.	1	\$158.00	
<b>AED Maintenance</b>					
4	TRACK-PRO-2	<b>TrackMyAED Pro (2 years)</b> Enjoy a 2-year Premium Subscription to TrackMyAED Pro—your all-in-one AED management platform for rescue readiness, compliance tracking, accessory discounts, and priority support.	1	\$149.00	
5	TRACK-PRO-4	<b>TrackMyAED Pro (4 years)</b> Enjoy a 4-year Premium Subscription to TrackMyAED Pro—your all-in-one AED management platform for rescue readiness, compliance tracking, accessory discounts, and priority support. Ask your quoting representative	1	\$279.00	

We propose to furnish the items listed above, subject to written acceptance of this quotation.

- Prices quoted are valid for 30 days
- Delivery TBD after receipt of an accepted purchase order
- Applicable federal taxes to be added; any applicable provincial sales taxes are the responsibility of the purchaser
- Shipping and Handling FREE on orders over \$99.00 some conditions apply.
- A handling fee will be applicable if order is shipping on a customer account.
- Purchase orders may be e-mailed to orders@aed4life.ca
- All purchase orders are subject to credit approval before acceptance by BERRN

SUBTOTAL:	\$ 1,840.00
SHIPPING:	FREE
HST (PE)	\$ 278.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,118.00</b>



Thank you for your interest in BERRN Consulting Ltd.  
Please contact Customer Service at 1-877-233-8288 with any questions.

Date: February 18, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: All Saints Parish Truth and Reconciliation Committee  
 Full Mailing Address: 63 Church Street, PO Box 1075,  
Amherst B4H 4E2  
 Contact Person: Chris Manuge  
 Email Address: manugechris@eastlink.ca  
 Telephone: 902-667-2711

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 5000.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

Funding is needed to assist with Mawio'mi 2026 Restarting the Experience —a celebration to mark Indigenous history month  
We are partnering with Indigenous Services Canada, and the Community Living Sector for the town of Amherst to host  
this community event on June 18, 2026.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

This event provides an opportunity for students from local schools and the public to experience the culture and traditions of  
members of First Nations and Inuit peoples. The day long event is planned for the Amherst Stadium . Hosting this event provides  
All Saints Parish, the town and Indigenous Services Canada demonstrates the practice of reconciliation by building and maintaining respectful relationship with Indigenous peoples.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Indigenous Reconciliation Fund	Funding request pending (\$15k)
Amherst Fire Fighters Association	Funding request pending
Indigenous Services Canada	Funding request pending

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 30

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## **Mawio'mi 2026: Restarting the Experience**

18 June, 2026

Amherst Stadium, 185 Church Street, Amherst, NS Mi'kma'ki

**Grand Entry: 1100 am   Grand Exit: 2:00 pm**

Elders, Host Drum, Singers, Dancers, Knowledge Keepers

A traditional Mi'kmaq gathering (Mawio'mi) is an important social, cultural, and spiritual event. This special traditional gathering event showcases the vibrancy of Indigenous culture and ceremony. It involves storytelling, traditional dance, music, and sharing of sacred songs/teachings. A Mawio'mi provides the opportunity for people to gather and celebrate as they share song, dance and drum. It can also strengthen community bonds and foster understanding between different generations as well as between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people.

The All Saints Parish (ASP) Truth and Reconciliation Committee formed in 2022 to begin and implement a process of education in keeping with the recommendations from the Truth and Reconciliation Report (TRC), and the Archdiocesan goal of "creating spaces for sharing, story telling and faith so we might better know and learn the stories and culture of our Mi'kmaw brothers and sisters (Looking Forward: Next Steps, Archbishop Brian Dunn.)

Indigenous Services Canada views the Mawio'mi as an opportunity that will help deepen understanding and foster reconciliation for federal public servants. The Mawio'mi is a place to share and a chance for federal employees to personally witness our partners and community members share traditional knowledge as we walk the path of reconciliation and friendship which builds cultural reconciliation (TRC Call to Action #57).

The ASP Truth and Reconciliation Committee has spearheaded several initiatives since 2022 and in 2026 we are partnering with Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) (Atlantic Region) and the town of Amherst to undertake the major event of the Mawio'mi during Indigenous History month. Members of the committee believe that this partnership with ISC and the town is consistent with our purpose. In the past members of the ASP Truth and Reconciliation Committee attended this Mawio'mi. In 2024 the event was held for the eighth time; attendance was indicative of its' growth in popularity within the town of Amherst, and it is recognized by local schools as a unique cultural learning experience. In 2025, funding pressures for the ISC prevented the hosting of this event much to the disappointment of those involved in previous years. The Committee believes that now is the time to take a more visible role on our journey of reconciliation through this partnership with Indigenous Services Canada and the town of Amherst.

The request for funds is for \$15,000.00 from the IRF. The town of Amherst will provide an in-kind donation for the use of the Amherst Stadium (\$1600) plus \$2200-\$3000 for wages of staff attendance at the event, promotion, set up and cleanup and organizational support for event. ISC will provide \$5k (pending approval). Grant applications for community event support are pending approval by the town of Amherst, Municipality of Cumberland and the Amherst Firefighters Association.

## Mawio'mi Budget 2026

ITEM	BUDGET	ACTUAL
2 Drum Groups- 2@\$3165	\$6330	
Head Dancers- 2@\$1225	\$2450	
Dancer	\$5100	
Master of Ceremonies	\$1225	
Arena Director	\$1225	
Hospitality refreshments	\$600	
Sound system rental	\$750	
Chair Rental from curling club	\$200	
Medicines-smudging & offering	\$330	
Cultural Art Demonstration	\$1100	
Elder	\$600	
Inuit Artist- 2@500	\$1000	
Performer Giveaways	\$150	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21060</b>	

Date: 2026-03-31

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Fundy Winds Marsh  
Full Mailing Address: 1 Lamy St  
Amherst, NS B4H 3T8  
Contact Person: Julia Rudderham/Bill Barrow  
Email Address: fundywindssociety@gmail.com  
Telephone: 902-694-2366/902-669-0177

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 5000.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

We are officially opening and dedication of our Bevan Dickson Herptile Trail on June 17, 2026 with a demonstration and presentation from a snake expert from Fredericton, NB. There will be an elementary school class present.  
The trail focuses on the resident reptile and amphibian populations. We need to finish the trail with gravel.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs.

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

The Herptile Trail is unique in this area as this is unique in Eastern Canada. It includes a gazebo filled with information, 6 ponds providing habitat for amphibians and reptiles. For 2026 we will require \$6000 in gravel and rock to complete the educational site trails. The cost of the presenter is \$700.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Cumberland Municipality	applied for \$3700.00

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 8

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## QUOTATION 2026

**Ducks Unlimited**  
752 Union Street  
Fredericton New Brunswick  
RE: Raff Lavigne  
Fredericton New Brunswick  
(506) 999-7275

**RE: Outdoor Education**  
**LOCATION: Fundy Winds Society**  
1 Lamy Street Amherst N.S.  
**ATTENTION: Bill Barrow**  
**CELL: (902) 669-0177**

**DATE OF QUOTATION: March 31 2026**

	<b>PRICE</b>
<i>Introduction to snake species, care and handling</i>	\$700.00
<b>QUOTE SubTotal</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>
<b>Tax Exempt</b>	
<b>Quote Total</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>

## QUOTATION 2026

**Fundy Landscaping Services**  
 PO Box 815 Amherst NS B4H 4B9  
 (902)667-7488 Office  
 (902)667-0609 Fax  
 (902)664-2987 Cell  
 email: [office@fundylandscaping.com](mailto:office@fundylandscaping.com)



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**RE: LANDSCAPE SERVICES**  
**LOCATION:** Fundy Winds Society  
 Eddy Street Amherst, Nova Scotia  
**ATTENTION:** Bill Barrow  
**CELL:** (902) 669-0177



landscape  
 nova scotia  
*Green for Life!*

**DATE OF QUOTATION:** March 31 2026

	PRICE
<i>PRODUCT and DELIVERY</i>	
<i>Twelve (12) Loads of Class A Gravel- supplied and delivered</i>	\$6,000.00
<b>QUOTE SubTotal</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
14% HST	\$840.00
<b>Quote Total</b>	<b>\$6,840.00</b>

*We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this quotation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Peter Michels directly at (902) 664-2987.*

*To view some of our projects to date and to reference our landscaping service diversities and high level standards of work, please access our website gallery at [www.fundylandscaping.com](http://www.fundylandscaping.com)*



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Fundy Winds Marsh

Address of Organization: 1 Lamy St. Amherst NS B4H 3T8

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Julia Rudderham/Bill Barrow

Email: fundywindssociety@gmail.com

Phone: 902-694-2366/902-669-0177

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$5000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Please see attached receipt

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

We hosted three school trips in June. River Hebert Elementary was broken into two days as it was primary through grade 6. The other two days were Grade 2s from SSA and Grade Primary from CNA. Children were able to manouver safely between stations as the gravel. Numerous community members walk daily through the trails

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Children were able to manouver safely between stations as the gravel. The Herptile trails have been laid out to support easy viewing of various habitats for frogs and snakes by our visitors. Our fishing days were limited to the school trips this year due to bans surrounding the drought.

Signature

Date 2026-02-24



# Fundy Landscaping Services

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 197 Willow Street  
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 Canada

# INVOICE

Invoice No.: 20716  
 Date: 08/31/2025  
 Ship Date:  
 Page: 1  
 Re Order No:

**Sold to:**

Fundy Winds Society  
 Bill Barrow  
 1 Lamy Street  
 Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H 3T8

**Ship to:**

Fundy Winds Society  
 Bill Barrow  
 1 Lamy Street  
 Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H 3T8

Business No.: 133478792RT0001

Item No.	Unit	Quantity	Description	Tax	Unit Price	Amount
			LANDSCAPE SERVICES Location: Fundy Winds Marsh Supply Gravel Material for Trails- as per quote	H14		4,385.97
			H14 - HST @ 14% HST14 HST14, not included			614.04 -0.01
Tuxedo Septic Cleaning HST14: #133478792 RT0001						
Shipped By: _____ Tracking Number: _____					Total Amount	5,000.00
Comment: Interest Charges: 2.0% on Invoices Outstanding Over 30 days					Amount Paid	0.00
Sold By: _____					Amount Owning	5,000.00

Date: Mar 13'26

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Cumberland Pride (submitted through Autumn House)  
 Full Mailing Address: c/o 41 Russell St  
Amherst, NS B4H 2S5  
 Contact Person: Dawn Ferris  
 Email Address: dferris@autumnhouse.ca  
 Telephone: 902.499.3855

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 1,000

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

Cumberland Pride will again host a series of events throughout June 2026 to celebrate Pride. We will have a parade, a vendors market on Saturday June 13th. We will also host movie events and will be asking the Gay Men's Choir to return. Our Pride events are becoming a large tourist draw as we grow and expand.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

The Pride Community will feel accepted, seen, and celebrated and the community at large will be engaged with to show our support and engage in fun inclusive events for the whole family. We are connecting people to community and will be engaging with the business community as well.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Municipality of Cumberland County (hopefully)	\$1,000
Community Health Boards (hopefully)	\$300

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** ~20

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**Cumberland Pride - 2026**

<b>Expenses</b>	Printing and SWAG	800.00
	Cumberland Pride, Halifax Gay Men's Chorus Society	500.00
	Table & chairs rental for vendors market	250.00
	Movie events	1,000.00
	Website / host domain	200.00
	Drag Show Parrsboro	500.00
	Bus Rental (get people from Amherst/Springhill to Parrsboro)	1,500.00
		<u>4,750.00</u>

**Income**

	Town of Amherst	1,000.00
	Cumberland County	1,000.00
	Community Health Board	300.00
	Table Rentals for Vendors Market (30x \$20)	600.00
	Donations at the Door Movie Events	400.00
	Donations at the Gay Men's Choir	800.00
	Ticket sales for Bus (52 x \$10)	520.00
		<u>4,620.00</u>



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Cumberland Pride (supported by Autumn House)  
Address of Organization: c/o 41 Russell St, Amherst, NS B4H 3Y2  
Contact Person (First, Last Name): Dawn Ferris  
Email: dferris@autumnhouse.ca  
Phone: 902.499.3855

Amount of Community Support Grant received: 1,000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Cumberland Pride spent \$6,182.25 to celebrate Pride throughout June 2025. We were able to host the following events:  
Pride Parade Amherst- June 14                      Flag Raising in Town - June 2  
Gay Men's Choir - Amherst June 21st  
Pride Vendors Market Amherst - June 14  
Pride Dance & Drag Show Amherst - June 14  
Movie Evening at Amherst Theatre

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

We had a very large month celebrating Pride and we engaged with many people. The Pride Parade is such a tourist draw for many, we are reaching a larger audience and bringing people to Town for our events. Many local people attend these events and feel included!

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

This grant was instrumental in helping us create a month long celebration. For the first time ever, we dedicated the month of June to celebrate Pride (we have historically celebrated over one week in June). We could not do this work without the support from the Town of Amherst, not only does the \$1000 help but also the support from Town staff that is always appreciated.

Signature *D Ferris*

Date Mar 13'26



Date: March 23, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Zonta Club of Amherst Area  
Full Mailing Address: 258 Victoria Street East, Amherst, NS B4H 1Y9  
Contact Person: Angela Ryan Bourgeois / Marg E. Smith  
Email Address: aaronangle@icloud.com  
Telephone: (902)694-5092

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 750

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

Kick-off event to launch the annual 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence Campaign (Nov 25 to Dec 10).

The event will include: official proclamation signing (with Town approval); guest remarks from community partners, distribution of awareness materials, and a brief ceremony to open the campaign. The event will be free and open to the public.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

This event supports Amherst's vision of a vibrant and supportive community. It will raise awareness of gender-based violence and promote community safety. It will strengthen partnerships between local organizations, the Town and residents. It will encourage civic engagement and public participation. It will highlight Amherst's commitment to human rights and community well-being.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 10

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Angela Ryan Bourgeois  
Zonta Club of Amherst Area  
258 Victoria Street East  
Amherst NS B4H 1Y9

March 23, 2026

Town of Amherst  
98 Victoria Street East  
Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H 4A1

**Attention: Sharon Bristol**

Dear Ms. Bristol,

I am writing on behalf of the **Zonta Club of Amherst Area** as we begin planning our activities for the **2026 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence**, observed annually from November 25 to December 10. More information on the international campaign can be found at [ZontaSaysNo.com](http://ZontaSaysNo.com)

In previous years, our local participation has focused on raising our Zonta Flag, a window display and obtaining a signed proclamation from the Town. For 2026, we would like to expand this tradition by hosting our first-ever kick-off event to launch the campaign in a more visible and engaging way for our community.

Zonta will serve as the event host, handling all planning, materials, setup, and promotion. We are writing to ask whether the Town would be willing to allow us to use the Town Hall lobby for the proclamation signing ceremony and reception. The ceremony would be brief—approximately 15 to 20 minutes—and would be immediately followed by a reception in the lobby, hosted by Zonta.

If possible, we would also appreciate the Town's support in lighting the Victoria Square lights orange during the campaign period, as the colour orange is recognized internationally as a symbol of hope and a future free from violence.

We greatly value the Town's past support for our flag raising and proclamation efforts, and we hope this enhanced event will continue to strengthen our shared commitment to community safety, awareness, and engagement.

Please let us know if the Town would be open to supporting this request. We would be happy to discuss suitable dates, logistics, and any requirements your office may have. We have also included a request for a community support grant to help with the costs of the event.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Kind regards,



Angela Ryan Bourgeois

Zonta Club of Amherst Area

# Zonta Club of Amherst Area

## Community Support Grant – Budget Attachment

Project: 2026 Kick Off Event (16 Days of Activism)

Proposed Date: November 2026 | Location: Amherst Town Hall (if approved)

#	Line Item	Amount (\$)
1	Zonta Says NO Flag (3'x5') – purchase	150.00
2	Promotional materials (posters, digital graphics)	150.00
3	Printed awareness materials (handouts, cards)	150.00
4	Event refreshments for attendees	200.00
5	Guest speaker/community partner honorarium	50.00
6	Contingency (supplies/incidentals)	50.00
<b>Total Requested</b>		<b>750.00</b>

*Notes: Amounts are estimates for a one-day proclamation event. The contingency covers small incidentals (e.g., tape, extra printing). If the Town provides in-kind support (space, setup, or promotion), funds will be reallocated to outreach materials within the \$750 total.*

**TITLE:** Community Support Grants Policy  
**SECTION:** All Town Departments  
**POLICY NO:** 72000-08

**Application for Funding**

Date: Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 2026

**REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**REQUEST FOR IN-KIND FACILITY RENTAL**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Abigail & Olivia Flemming, Judo Nova Scotia Kata Team  
Full Mailing Address: 60 AMHERST KODOKAN JUDO ACADEMY  
189 CHURCH STREET  
Contact Person: AMHERST NOVA SCOTIA  
Email Address: KEITH MOSES - akjadojo@gmail.com  
Telephone: 902 614 5836

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 1000.00  
Total cost of program event or activity \$ 9000.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Sport and Physical Activity, Arts/Culture Events, Festivals, Organizational Equipment, Community Well-Being etc.)**  
Sport Events - CDN NATIONAL JUDO CHAMPIONSHIPS - CALGARY AB (MAY 13, 14<sup>th</sup> 2026)  
QUEBEC WORLD SERIES - LAVAL PQ (JULY 4<sup>th</sup> 2026)

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (Event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**  
Abigail & Olivia Flemming are current CANADIAN CHAMPIONS FOR JUDO CANADA. THEY ARE GOING TO CALGARY AB THIS YEAR TO DEFEND THEIR TITLE. AS WELL AS PARTICIPATE IN A WORLD SERIES GRAND SLAM IN PQ THIS YEAR.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
<u>GO FUND ME. PUT ON BY AMHERST KODOKAN JUDO ACADEMY. TOTAL RAISED \$ 2211.00 CDN.</u>	

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** N/A - held outside Province.



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**Tina Flemming**

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**To:** thflemming@eastlink.ca  
**Subject:** Town of Amherst for funding

Judo Nova Scotia Kata Committee and Grading Board Chair

Date: February 2, 2026

To whom this concerns,

I am writing on behalf of Judo Nova Scotia to request funding support for Abigail and Olivia Flemming, who represent Judo NS as our kata team. As national champions in Goshen Jiu-Jitsu last year, Abigail and Olivia have demonstrated remarkable skill and dedication.

The requested funding will support their travel to various training locations across Canada. In addition to traveling to Saint John, New Brunswick, they will also attend the national kata training center in Montreal, clinics in Fredericton, and events throughout Nova Scotia. They will also be attending the Eastern Championships, the first tournament of the year, and will compete in two additional tournaments near Montreal. Furthermore, they will represent Judo Nova Scotia at the Nationals in Calgary this year.

These training and competition opportunities are essential for Abigail and Olivia to continue developing their kata skills and to showcase their progress. With your support, they will achieve even greater success and bring pride to our community.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

Nicholas MacFarlane

Chair, Grading Board and Kata Committee

Judo Nova Scotia

Sent from my iPhone

Date: March 10, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Team Canada - Adaptive Abilities Advanced Co-Ed - Emery Cameron  
Full Mailing Address: 19 Pettipas Dr,  
Dartmouth NS, B3B 1K1  
Contact Person: Amberlee Buott  
Email Address: legacycheeratlantic@gmail.com  
Telephone: (902) 209-8033

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 250.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

To represent Canada at the International Cheer Union Worlds Championships in Orlando, FL  
To offset fees for competition entry fee and uniform costs.

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

Great representation nationally of how the Town of Amherst support community members as well as inclusion.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: Unknown

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Dear Potential Team Canada Sponsor,

Team WAVE is an Advanced Adaptive Abilities co-ed cheer team comprised of athletes throughout the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. They are a diverse and fully inclusive team of athletes who are adaptive to the needs of those who are with and without a physical, sensory or intellectual disability. All of whom train and perform at a high level of competitive athletic ability in the world of cheer.

Recently WAVE competed and earned the honour of being named **Team Canada** and will represent our country at the Worlds International Cheer Union Competition in Orlando Florida, in April 2026. This is the highest level of competition for any cheer athlete. There are no words to describe the feelings of such an accomplishment except excitement, honour and pride.

With the title of **Team Canada** also comes financial obligations and requirements. The purpose of this letter is seeking sponsorship assistance. Your support and sponsorship will help us represent our country and sport while providing your community involvement and partnerships as a positive impact and, your partnership can make a tangible difference.

Funds from your sponsorship will be used directly for uniforms, equipment, competition entry fees, expenses and training materials. Each athlete will incur the cost of \$1,700.00 not including their travel and accommodations. Such support will not only reflect positively upon our team's performance but also have a positive influence on our cheer family and cheer community.

Your contribution will be recognized appropriately, with your *constituent name/company name* gaining visibility and recognition on our social media platforms. Should your donation/sponsorship be greater than \$1,000, we will be creating a banner for those logo's to be displayed and carried with the team and families while competing at ESPN in April which will provide you with international exposure. In essence you/your company will be intrinsically tied to the values of teamwork, dedication, inclusivity and sportsmanship we uphold as a team.

Thank you for considerations. Your sponsorship and support will make a positive and meaningful impact on the athletes.

Thank you in advance,

**WAVE**

**Team Canada 2026 - Adaptive Abilities Advanced Co-ed**

Please make all cheques payable to: Wave Parents for Cheer Association  
EMT's can be sent to [waveparentsforcheer@gmail.com](mailto:waveparentsforcheer@gmail.com)

Date: March 11, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Willow Buske - Team Canada Athlete  
Full Mailing Address: 28 Donald Ave  
Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H4C5  
Contact Person: Marc Buske  
Email Address: mbuske@amherst.ca  
Telephone: 902-694-2318

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 250

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

I am an athlete on East Coast Adaptive Abilities Cheerleading team and we have been chosen as Team Canada in the Adaptive Abilities Unified Median division at the ICU World Cheerleading Championships in Orlando, Florida in April. This funding request would assist with costs associated with uniforms, gear, registration fees and securing practice space, etc.

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

As an athlete on this team which is comprised of athletes with and without disabilities we will be proudly representing our country on the international stage. The team's commitment to inclusivity and excellence in sport is not just a source of pride for us but also for our communities. This competition will take place from April 22-24, 2026.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: \_\_\_\_\_

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653 St George Blvd Unit #550  
Moncton, NB E1E 2C2  
506.384.2433 [hello@olympiacheerleading.com](mailto:hello@olympiacheerleading.com)

West Halifax Cheerleading  
65 Longard Drive  
Timberlea, NS B3T 2E1  
902-449-7629  
[info@westhalifaxcheer.com](mailto:info@westhalifaxcheer.com)

Re: **Sponsorship** – Donation Request 2026

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are reaching out to our local businesses and community supporters for sponsorship. Our team has been selected to represent Team Canada in the Adaptive Abilities Unified Median division at the ICU World Championships in Orlando, Florida, in April 2026.

The East Coast Adaptive Abilities team is a remarkable group of athletes, both with and without disabilities, who come together to compete as one unified team. This team has athletes from New Brunswick & Nova Scotia. Over the past six seasons, they have proudly represented Canada on the international stage, achieving outstanding results, including two gold medals a bronze medal and a silver medal at the 2025 ICU World Championships. The team's commitment to inclusivity and excellence in sport is not just a source of pride for the athletes but also for our community.

As we gear up for this exciting competition, we are looking for sponsorships to help cover various costs associated with participation. These costs include uniforms and gear, registration fees, and the expense of securing practice space in Orlando, among other necessities. Your support would not only assist in alleviating these financial burdens but would also contribute to fostering an inclusive environment in competitive sports.

Our team is composed of 28 talented athletes and 4 coaches who will be attending this competition to compete against other teams from around the globe. We are rallying our friends and local businesses to help with the financial commitment and expenses associated with this event. The cost per athlete is approximately \$3000 CAN per athlete, so any amount will help.

Thank you for your consideration,

Colleen Keenan, Julie Larocque, Taylar Dunsworth, Jessie Strum  
Team Canada Coaches

Date: December 1 2025

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Cumberland African Nova Scotian Association  
 Full Mailing Address: 63 East Victoria Street PO Box 1015  
Amherst Nova Scotia B4H 1X7  
 Contact Person: Victoria Vance  
 Email Address: victoria.vance@cansa.ca  
 Telephone: 902-661-1509

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 400 (in kind)

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

Community Event- We are hosting our African Heritage Month Gala Feb 7th 2026

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

The Gala/Art Show will engage up to 75 participants from across Cumberland County and surrounding areas. The event highlights local African Nova Scotian artists, youth, and Black creators while strengthening the use of valued community spaces. The gala also encourages collaboration with local artists, businesses, and schools, contributing to cultural pride, economic activity, and greater visibility for Black excellence in our region.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Town of Amherst	
Municipality of Cumberland	
ANSA	

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 0

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**TITLE:** Community Support Grants Policy  
**SECTION:** All Town Departments  
**POLICY NO:** 72000-08

**Application for Funding**  
**REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Date: January 6, 2026  
**REQUEST FOR IN-KIND FACILITY RENTAL**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: YMCA of Cumberland  
 Full Mailing Address: PO Box 552 92 Church St  
Amherst NS B4H 4A1  
 Contact Person: Beth Doucette  
 Email Address: beth.doucette@cumberlandymca.ca  
 Telephone: 902 218 6196

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 250.00 Rental Fee for CCUBIC  
 Total cost of program event or activity \$ 1450.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Sport and Physical Activity, Arts/Culture Events, Festivals, Organizational Equipment, Community Well-Being etc.)**  
See attached

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (Event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**  
See attached

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** \_\_\_\_\_



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3. The purpose of this funding request is to support Coldest Night of the Year 2026 through the waiver of the rental fee for the Community Credit Union Business Innovation Centre.

The Coldest Night of the Year is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. This year, the YMCA of Cumberland is hosting an event with fantastic community sponsorship opportunities!

#### 4. Budget for Coldest Night of the Year 2026

Expenses		Revenue	
Facility/ Venue	\$ 250.00	Sponsorship	\$ 1,000.00
Hot Meal (Chili/ Rolls/ Cookies)	\$ 400.00		
Hot Chocolate	\$ 150.00	Total Revenue	\$ 1,000.00
Bowls/Cups Supplies	\$ 200.00		
Décorations	\$ 250.00	Revenue	\$ 1,000.00
Photographer	\$ 200.00	Expenses	\$ 1,450.00
		Surplus/Deficit	-\$ 450.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,450.00</b>		

5. Coldest Night of the Year provides meaningful benefits to the community by raising critical funds and awareness for individuals and families experiencing homelessness, housing insecurity, and poverty. Funds raised remain local and directly support essential programs and services that address immediate needs while promoting long-term stability.

The event increases public awareness of winter-related challenges faced by vulnerable populations, fostering empathy and reducing stigma. It also strengthens community connections by bringing together residents, volunteers, local businesses, and community partners around a shared cause.

Coldest Night of the Year encourages volunteerism, civic engagement, and community pride through an inclusive, family-friendly event. By supporting preventative and support services, the event contributes to a healthier, more resilient community and helps reduce long-term strain on social services.

#### 6. Community Partners/ Sponsorship

Currently, we have Northumberland Properties on board with a \$1000.00 Sponsorship.



7. Coldest Night of the Year is made possible through the support of 30–40 dedicated volunteers who generously contribute their time, assisting with everything from traffic control to serving a warm meal to participants.



March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Dear Town and Council,

The YMCA of Cumberland is grateful for the support for our predevelopment work with ZZAP Architecture and consultants. We have used these funds to pay for consulting services and are working closely with the staff from the Planning department to complete our development agreement application and are closer to permit drawings.

Without the support of the Town of Amherst, this process would have been delayed. We are committed to working with the Town on providing affordable, supportive housing and are committed to building a strong community that can thrive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Aiden Kivisto', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Aiden Kivisto  
Manager of Community Development  
(902) 669-0005  
aiden.kivisto@cumberland.ymca.ca

Cc: Trina Clarke, CEO

Date: Mar 19 / 26

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Chignecto Arts Council  
Full Mailing Address: 14 Electric St  
Amherst  
Contact Person: DALE FAWTHROP  
Email Address: dfawthrop@eastlink.ca  
Telephone: 902 667-7955

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED

\$ 840<sup>00</sup>

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

"Loving, Learning, and Line Dancing" is set to stage at CCUBIC in June. All proceeds to Amherst Food Bank. Our rental is \$840<sup>00</sup>. Please consider covering our rental costs.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request. Only expense is CCUBIC.

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

FUNDING FOR Amherst Foodbank.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:

20+





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Name of Organization: **Chignecto Arts Council**

Address of Organization: **14 Electric St Amherst**

Contact Person (First, Last Name): **Dale Fawthrop**

Email: **dfawthrop@eastlink.ca**

Phone: **902-667-7955**

Amount of Community Support Grant received: **1000.00**

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

**Carnival of the Arts 2:  
Event decorations: 117.40  
Max Snaks 250.00  
Library Staff Time 150.00  
Balloon Decorations: 50  
Bank expenses: 28  
Bank Balance 477.40**

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

**Over 200 people viewed the art work of 40 local artists**

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

**We do not have funding sources or sponsors. Our purpose is to promote the Arts in Cumberland.**

Signature **d Fawthrop**

Date **Jan 30/ 2026**



Date: January 19, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Amherst in Bloom  
 Full Mailing Address: 168 Church Street, Amherst, NS, B4H3C5  
 Contact Person: Jill Peterson  
 Email Address: amherstinbloom@gmail.com  
 Telephone: 902-297-5335

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$500.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**  
To purchase vinyl "Amherst in Bloom" lawn signs to deliver to residents or businesses that get nominated for efforts in beautifying the town with landscaping, gardening and decor.  
Please visit "Amherst in Bloom" on Facebook for more information.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**  
 - Encourage more residents to beautify their property fronts making town more vibrant  
 - Increase pollination and air quality with plants and trees  
 - Provide a map of "Amherst in Bloom" homes for residents and visitors to tour

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
In Good Hands Contracting (2025)	\$350
Jill Peterson (2025)	\$150

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** 2

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 (902)667-3352





## AMHERST IN BLOOM 2026 PROJECTED BUDGET

Budget item:	Description	Amount
79 Vinyl Coloured Logo Signs	Acadian Printing	\$399
Sponsor Stickers	Walmart	\$50
Metal Garden Pegs	Dollarama	\$20
Legal size envelopes	Amazon	\$25
Printer paper	Walmart	\$15
Printer ink	Amazon	\$40
100 "2026 Winner" Vinyl Stickers	Acadian	\$75
Promotional posters	Print at home	inclusive of above
Total		\$624



**A** **Acadian Printing** <sales@acadianprinting.com>  
to me ▾ May 15, 2025, 9:20 AM ☆ 🗨 ↶ ⋮

We actually got 79 for the price  
They are ready for pickup.  
Price is \$350.00 + HST = \$399.00

Thanks.  
Christine

**Christine**  
Accounts  
902-667-3556

**Acadian**  
**PRINTING** 902-667-3556



Date: 4 Feb 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Victoria's Quilts Canada Tantramar Branch  
Full Mailing Address: c/o 489 John Black Rd, E Amherst B4H 3Y3  
  
Contact Person: Barbara Hood  
Email Address: bdhood@eastlink.ca  
Telephone: 902-669-5011

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 1,000.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

To purchase fabric, batting and supplies for the making of quilts for persons living with cancer.

4. Please attach a **budget** for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

We are a small group of volunteers who make quilts at no charge to people in our area living with cancer.  
These quilts bring warmth and comfort to recipients. There is no cost to the requester or the recipient.  
We operate entirely through donations and fund-raising efforts of our volunteers

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 15-20

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## Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Victoria's Quilts Canada Tantramar Branch

Address of Organization: Lawrence St, Amherst, NS

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Barbara Hood

Email: bdhood@eastlink.ca

Phone: 902-669-5011

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$1,000

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

We were able to purchase quilt batting and cotton flanellette in order to complete our quilts which are given free of charge to persons with cancer. The cost of this was \$1,800 and we get donations from individuals and we also fundraise to cover our other costs.

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

We were able to reach our goal as stated below.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Our organization is a not for profit charity with volunteers that makes and delivers quilts for persons living with cancer. There is no cost to the requester or the recipients, the quilts are absolutely free. We receive no government funding and operate entirely through donations and fund-raising efforts by our volunteers.

Signature Barbara R Hood

Date 4 Feb 2026



Date: March 3, 2026

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: Amherst Area Heritage Trust  
 Full Mailing Address: P.O. Box 703, Amherst, NS B4H 4B8  
 Contact Person: James Austin  
 Email Address: james2000austin@gmail.com  
 Telephone: cell 902 664 2262 / office 902 667 2000

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED** \$ 700.00

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)**

In 2024 the AAHT created a 17"x11' placement that highlighted 12 heritage homes and told a short story about each. It also included a text description walking tour to see each of the highlighted homes from the street. 25,000 placemants were printed and distributed to local eating establishments. In 2026 we want to repeat the process for downtown Amherst commercial buildings.

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. **Please attach all documents that support the funding request.****

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

Knowledge of some of the rich history of Amherst. Pride of knowing more about our awesome community.  
An increase in the number of people walking through the downtown area. Business spinoff for those businesses highlighted.  
Impulse visits that happen while people are exploring the downtown.

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
Selling 80% of a doz. biz. card sized ads at \$200 each	\$1,920

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** Five directly, contributing approx. 68 hrs.

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AAHT Placemat project – 2026 Commercial Properties focus

Project Budget

Revenue:

Estimate 80% sales on Business Card sized ads

12 available at \$200 each = \$1,920.00

AAHT contribution = \$ 24.80

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\$1,944.80

Expenses:

20,000 - 11 x 17 on 20lb bond paper 1 sided colour at 11x17 = \$2,320.00

Plus 14% HST = \$ 324.80

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\$2,644.80

Profit/(loss) (\$700.00)

Request to the TOA Community Support Grants \$700.00

Content creation, ad sales, photography, layout, preprinting master, and placemat distribution are all being done by volunteers. Estimate of a minimum of 68 hours volunteer labour.



Apple Tree Inn / built 1835 - Served as a stagecoach stop from 1842 to 1872. Set back from the main road, it provided a turn around for coaches and teams. In front, a rope and bucket well that was used by the neighbourhood, can still be seen.



Goodwin House / built 1910 - Originally built for Robert Douglas, it is fondly remembered for a later owner, Dr Goodwin. It features 4 large round pillars supporting the overhanging eaves of the second story, with the front door offset to the right side of the porch.



Harvey Hewson (Angus or Kogon) House / built 1905 - The best of 3 houses built by the Hewson family. Featuring Richardson Romanesque architecture with its rounded bays of two sizes and a gracious arched entrance, it was built from locally quarried red sandstone.



Douglas House / built 1915 - Built for George Douglas, who worked his way up from a messenger boy for Western Union Telegraph to Canada Car plant manager. This late Victorian architectural style is called Colonial Revival.



Quigley House / built 1905 - Named for the highly esteemed Dr. Quigley who lived there for many years. Built on large, locally sourced sandstone blocks, the house features a strong symmetrical exterior with a central entrance flanked by two sideights, characteristic of Craftsman style houses.



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If you would like a closer look at these homes and lots of others not shown here, lets take a walk. Walking from downtown, along the lefthand side of Victoria Street, the first house is the Apple Tree Inn, next the Goodwin House, then the Harvey Hewson House and on to the Douglas House. Crossing over Victoria there is the Lamy House, then the Edger Hewson House (Victoria). Turning down Regent Street we come to the Barker House and across the street we have the Hillcoat Piano House. Back up Regent and left onto Victoria, we see the Bent House, followed by the Dickey House. If we turn down Rupert Street, there is the Eliza Hewson House and when we cross, we have the Quigley House. The Amherst Area Heritage Trust hopes that you have enjoyed our picture tour.



Lamy House / built 1890 - The house was originally a three-story Queen Anne style mansion. Deconstructed in 1932, it was reduced to a one-story building. It was reconstructed in 1980, as it stands now, a two-story house.



Eliza Hewson House / built 1907 - One of Amherst's three Hewson houses, this Rupert Street Gem was built for Eliza, mother of Edgar and Harvey, owners of the Hewson Woolen Mills. It features a turret on the front facade, local red sandstone applied to a wooden frame and a second porch over the front entry.



Harrison's Home Services logo and contact information: 484 MacDonald Road, 902-667-3366, 219 Main Street, 902-254-3366, 10256 DeBain Street, 902-283-3366.

RBC Royal Bank logo and contact information: 500-999-9999.

Family & Carpentery logo and contact information: 502-297-5160.

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Logo for a business with contact information: (902) 661-2137, 128 Victoria St. E.

Logo for a business with contact information: 902-297-5160.

Logo for a business with contact information: 902-297-5160.

Logo for a business with contact information: 902-667-8490.

Logo for a business with contact information: www.wellkework.ca.

Logo for a business with contact information: 902-297-5160.

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Logo for a business with contact information: 902-297-5160.



Dickey House / built 1870 - Built by Arthur Dickey, a lawyer like his father, Senator R B Dickey, a Father of Confederation. An exceptional example of Second Empire architecture, it features a square footprint (cube shape), a steeply pitched Mansard roof, decorative eaves and a balanced facade.



Bent House / built 1780 - Brothers John & Jesse Bent served in Cumberland County in 1763 as part of the Planter Migration. Considered the oldest house in Amherst, at the time it was built the Cape Cod style house overlooked the Tantramar Marsh.



Hillcoat Piano House / built 1907 - The stunning modern Craftsman style house focused on the beauty of natural materials and hand craftsmanship. In his shop "Amherst Piano" Mr Hillcoat (a musician cabinet & piano maker) specialized in player pianos which sold for \$750 in 1913.



Barker House / built 1997 - The house has 39 rooms, one being a bathroom on the third floor. Modern conveniences of the time included a central vacuum system and an underground walkway to the barn. The house still has its original bathroom including a marble shower with 15 jets to cover every inch of the body.

Date: March 6, 2026

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:

Name of Organization: Holiday Hero Committee  
Full Mailing Address: SchoolsPlus 84 Church St. Springhill NS  
B0M1X0  
Contact Person: Katie O'Neill / Tim Hunter  
Email Address: oneillk1@ccrce.ca / thunter@amherst.ca  
Telephone: 902 397 1357 / 902 694 6800

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ 1000.00

3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Community Event; Tournament - Provincial / National / Invitational; Festival, etc.)

Community event (closed) that promotes positive connections between children in our community + our local first responders.

4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.

5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)

one time, yearly event to engage children + first responders in a positive way. See attached letter.

6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY
<u>Cumberland SchoolsPlus</u>	<u>Emerg. Health Services (EHS)</u>
<u>Amherst Police Dept</u>	<u>Restorative Justice</u>
<u>NS Sherriff Services</u>	<u>Child/Family Wellbeing</u>

7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival: 20+ across partner organizations.

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Other funding supports TBD.

Budget Proposal for Holiday Heros:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Estimated Cost:</b>
Venue Rental	Amherst Stadium (2 hour)	\$200
Venue Rental	Cumberland YMCA Pool and Community Room (2 hour)	\$300
Venue Rental	Amherst Theatre (Movie)	\$500
Food	Breakfast	\$500
Food	Lunch	\$500
Food	Snacks (including theatre snack)	\$800
Crafts/Activities	Craft/Activity Supplies	\$400
Clothing	Snow suits/hats/mittens/boots (Santa "gift")	\$1500
Supplies	Napkins/plates/utensils/other needs	\$300
	<b>Total Estimated Cost:</b>	<b>\$5000.00</b>

Town of Amherst  
98 Victoria Street  
Amherst, Nova Scotia  
B4H 1X6

Re: Holiday Heroes - Community Support Grant Application

Dear Members of the Community Support Grant Committee,

We respectfully request funding of up to \$1,000 through the Town of Amherst Community Support Grant in support of the **Holiday Heroes Event**, an initiative which brings children and local first responders together for a day of positive engagement, activities, and community building.

The event's goal is to create early, meaningful connections between children and police officers, firefighters, paramedics, and other first responders. Through games, shared activities, and informal interactions, children can meet these community helpers in a welcoming environment that emphasizes trust, mutual respect, and approachability.

For many children, interactions with emergency services may otherwise occur during stressful or difficult circumstances. Providing positive experiences beforehand builds familiarity and trust, reduces fear, and encourages healthier communication in future interactions. These early connections are particularly valuable for children facing social, economic, or family challenges that may increase the likelihood of contact with emergency services.

This will be the first year for the Holiday Heroes Event in Amherst, modeled after the successful **Holiday Heroes** event in Truro, Nova Scotia, which has run for nine years. For our inaugural year, we hope to welcome approximately 30 children from Amherst's three local elementary schools who we believe would benefit the most from this opportunity.

A planning committee is being formed to build and offer this, with committed partners from Cumberland SchoolsPlus, Amherst Police Department, Nova Scotia Sheriff Services, Emergency Health Services, Restorative Justice, and the local Child and Family Wellbeing division of Department of Opportunities and Social Development. These partners will all help support the planning and implementation to make the event a success.

Support from the Town of Amherst would directly contribute to activity supplies, food, and materials that make the event welcoming and memorable for children and families. In addition, the committee will seek additional grant opportunities and canvas local businesses for donations to further support the event and reduce the estimated costs proposed below. Your investment would help ensure that local children have the opportunity to build positive relationships with those dedicated to serving our community.

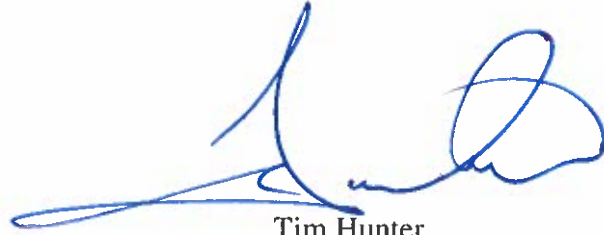
Thank you for your consideration and for the Town's continued support of initiatives that strengthen community connections and invest in young people. Please see our attached application with additional information regarding our proposed budget and community partners.

If further information is required, please contact one of us at the contact information noted below.

Sincerely,



Katie O'Neill, MSW RSW  
SchoolsPlus Facilitator  
Chignecto-Central Regional Centre of Education  
902-397-1357 / [oneillkl@ccrce.ca](mailto:oneillkl@ccrce.ca)



Tim Hunter  
Deputy Chief of Police  
Amherst Police Department  
902-694-6800 / [thunter@amherst.ca](mailto:thunter@amherst.ca)



## Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Cumberland County Genealogical Society

Address of Organization: 16 Church Street, PO Box 1071, Amherst, NS B4H 4E2

Contact Person (First, Last Name):

Email: archives@ccgsns.com

Phone: 902-661-7278

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$9396.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Microfilm from NSARM \$300.00

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

This is ongoing. Our project was based upon NSARM providing us with the copies of microfilm after giving us 2 quotes on the cost. We ordered the equipment and then placed our order with NSARM only to find out they were not able to obtain the film necessary to make the copies. We have reached out to Mt. Allison University and they are able to provide copies (in a different format) We have ordered copies of the Amherst Daily News which should be done by the end of March. If this format meets our needs, we would then order the remaining newspapers and the project would be completed. We are seeking an extension of 1 year to accomplish this. We also received funding from the Christie Smith Foundation who have given us an extension. This is a very worthwhile project and it is hoped you will be able to grant an extension.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Signature Marney Gilroy

Date February 19, 2026



## **Mallory Klooster**

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**From:** archives@ccgsns.com  
**Sent:** February 19, 2026 1:42 PM  
**To:** Mallory Klooster  
**Subject:** Re: Town of Amherst Community Support Grant Final Reports  
**Attachments:** Town of Amherst CSG Final Report 2026 (1)

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Completed

Please find attached our completed Community Support Grant Form. Due to unforeseen circumstances, we are seeking a one year extension to complete the project. As explained in the report, before starting the project we had contact Nova Scotia Archives (NSARM) in Halifax for the price and availability of the microfilm we needed. They gave us a list of what was available from which we selected the newspapers of interest and then based our costs on their quote. We then purchased the equipment necessary and upon arrival contacted NSARM again to make sure the price had not changed and the availability. NSARM copied 4 films and then advised we would have to contact Mount Allison University as they believed they had the copyright to these films. (Not sure why they would have them on their list for sale - if they didn't hold the copyright). I then reached out to Mount Allison University who said they didn't think they had the copyright and that we would have to contact the applicable newspapers for permission. These newspapers were defunct long ago. I contacted Tans Continental who purchased Cumberland Publishing and then later closed. They could not answer my question but didn't see it being an issue as long as the papers were older than 50 years.

I then contacted NSARM again and explained to them what Trans Continental had said. They began the copying and could only supply 4 microfilms. They had run out of the duplication film and found they could no longer obtain the film. It was obsolete and they had no other means of copying.

I contacted Mount Allison University and they advised they did not have duplication equipment. They did reach out to UNB who could copy the microfilms using a different format. The costs would be relatively the same as what NSARM was going to charge. After much conversation back and forth, Mount Allison agreed to send the Amherst Daily News microfilm to UNB if we would enter into a Memorandum of Understanding.

We just received the MOU today and we are prepared to sign. Once they receive the signed document, they will proceed with the copying. This cost will only cover a quarter of the grant amount. The remainder of the costs was for the Amherst Evening News, News and Sentinel, Oxford Journal etc. I purposely did not ask for those copies at this time, as I wanted to see the results of the Amherst Daily News scans. I did not want to waste money, if the images will not meet our needs.

We are seeking a one year extension to allow us to obtain the Amherst Daily News scans, view them for quality and then place an order for the remaining newspapers.

Sorry for the long e-mail. It has been a very long and frustrating journey made especially longer because Mount Allison is in the process of building a new library and things are a bit chaotic for them

at the moment. I appreciate that they are willing to help us for our small project given what they have on their plate at the moment.

Regards

Marney

Cumberland County Genealogy Centre

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On Fri, 30 Jan 2026 14:54:37 +0000, Mallory Klooster <[mklooster@amherst.ca](mailto:mklooster@amherst.ca)> wrote:

Good morning,

I hope this email finds you well.

The Town of Amherst has been thrilled to support your organizations work throughout this past year and as we wrap up this grant cycle, I am reaching out to request the final report.

Submission of this report is required to close out the current project and trigger the release of funds for this year.

The reporting template is attached and we are asking if you could please submit the report in person or by replying to this email by **February 20<sup>th</sup> 2026**.

We are eager to hear about the impact of your work! If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Best regards,

**Mallory Klooster (She, her, hers)**

Manager, Community Well-Being

Town of Amherst

Cell: 902-694-0857

Email: [mklooster@amherst.ca](mailto:mklooster@amherst.ca)

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***"We acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. We celebrate 400+ years of African Nova Scotian descent. We strive to foster a diverse community that values everything that makes us unique including our visible differences, such as race or gender expression, as well as our non-visible differences, such as gender identity and diversity of thought. We are committed to equity, fairness and dignity for all."***



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# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Maggie's Place- A Resource Centre for Families (Cumberland)

Address of Organization: 11 Elmwood Drive Amherst NS B4H 2G7

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Sheri MacDonald

Email: sheri@maggiesplace.ca

Phone: (902) 667-7250

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$2000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

See attached Income Statement.

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

Maggie's Place was able to provide high quality backpacks filled with supplies such as pencils, paper, lunchbags, binders, crayons, glue, etc. to 318 children, youth and adults attending school in Cumberland County. 245 of those backpacks were provided to folks living within Amherst. All supplies and backpacks were provided at no cost to those accessing the service to help alleviate some of the financial stressors on families during back to school time.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

This grant allowed us to purchase backpacks and needed supplies as the program relies on donations and grants to run.

Signature *Sheri MacDonald*

Date February 9, 2026



**Maggie's Place-Cumberland**  
**Departmental Income Statement 04/01/25 to 03/31/26**

	School Supplies
<b>REVENUE</b>	
<b>Sales Revenue</b>	
Grants	0 00
Other grants	5,859 34
Cost Recovery - CVITP	0 00
Donations	0 00
Interest revenue	0 00
<b>Total revenue</b>	<u>5,859 34</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<u>5,859 34</u>
<b>EXPENSE</b>	
<b>Payroll Expenses</b>	
Wages & Salaries	0 00
Bill back benefits	0 00
EI Expense	0 00
CPP Expense	0 00
WCB Expense	0 00
RRSP Expense	0 00
Group Medical/Insurance	0 00
<b>Total Payroll Expense</b>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>General &amp; Administrative ...</b>	
Accounting & Audit	0.00
Advertising & Promotions	0.00
Board Expense	0.00
Donation Expense	0.00
Evaluation	0.00
Furniture & equipment	0.00
Insurance	0.00
Interest & Bank Charges	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00
Program supplies	5,859 34
Photocopying	0.00
Memberships/Honorariums	0.00
Rent	0.00
Repair & Maintenance	0.00
Staff training	0.00
Telephone	0.00
Travel	0.00
Utilities	0.00
<b>Total General &amp; Admin. E...</b>	<u>5,859 34</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<u>5,859 34</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>0 00</u>



# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: "The Travelers"  
Address of Organization: 13 Fletcher Dr. Amherst, NS. B4H 4T8  
Contact Person (First, Last Name): Audrey Lewis-Patriguin  
Email: amysusedbooks@ns.sympat.co.ca  
Phone: 902-667-3999

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$1000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

2 Paper @ 97.95 / 1 Brother Toner @ 119.95 / 1 Brother Drum @ 139.95 = \$455.80  
We have the remaining money, which was earmarked for a new photocopier, in reserve. The old photocopier made it through to the end of our year (April to November). Next year a new leader is taking over. She would like to find a suitable song book to replace photocopying materials. If she can find a good one, she would like to use the money to buy songbooks for each member.

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

We were able to add a little cheer to the day of residents in 7 nursing homes in Cumberland County and the Amherst Area once each month.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

The grant paid for supplies needed to provide music to each member. This music was well received at 7 nursing homes. If we didn't have these materials, we would not have been able to carry on.

Signature Audrey W. Lewis-Patriguin Date February 18, 2026



**From:** [Rachel Walsh](#)  
**To:** [Mallory Klooster](#)  
**Subject:** Community grant  
**Date:** February 16, 2026 9:09:29 PM  
**Attachments:** [1888.png](#)

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## Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: **Spring Street Academy Home and School Association**

Address of Organization: **59 Spring Street Amherst Nova Scotia B4H 1s4**

Contact Person (First, Last Name): **Rachel Walsh**

Email: **rachelwalsh815@gmail.com**

Phone: **902 694 3688**

Amount of Community Support Grant received: **2000**

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

**3 Bouncy Castles cost us: \$1920.90**

**- Facepaint cost: \$80.87**

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

**With the Town of Amherst grant we were able to cover the full cost of the Bouncy Castles and the majority of the facepaint, two of our most popular stations.**

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

**Based on ticket counts at the end of the event, I'd estimate we had ~769 "jumpers," and painted ~109 faces.**

**This made a very successful event raising money for our home and school.**

Signature **Rachel Walsh**

Date **Feb 8th 2026**





## Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: Amherst Wesleyan Church

Address of Organization: 6&8 Maltby Court, Amherst NS, B4H 2L6

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Evan Oxner

Email: pastor@amherstwesleyan.com

Phone: 902-397-1901

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$12 850

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

Purchase and installation of the K2Plus Commercial Stairlift

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

This allowed us to make our basement accessible and for community members to attend the Souls Harbour free lunches Monday-Friday.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

Without this grant we may not have been able to get this lift installed in a timely manner.

Signature Evan Oxner

Date 3 Feb 2026



February 20, 2026

Dear Mayor, Council, and Staff:

Please find attached the Unaudited Financial Statements for the 2025 Amherst Community Christmas Dinner.

The Committee is pleased to report another very successful year, serving 550 meals to individuals and families in the Amherst area on Christmas Day, December 25, 2025. Of these, 291 meals were delivered to homes, while 259 meals were served in person or picked up at the Amherst Lions Den.

This accomplishment was made possible through the dedication of 46 volunteers who generously gave their time to prepare, serve, and deliver meals. Financially, the event was strongly supported by our community. We raised \$14,850 from local businesses and individuals, and an additional \$1,518.40 was received in donations at the door during the event. We also gratefully acknowledge grant contributions from the Town of Amherst in the amount of \$2,000 and from Cumberland County in the amount of \$1,500.

Over the past ten years, this event has grown steadily and continues to provide an important opportunity for individuals and families to gather on Christmas Day to share a warm meal in a welcoming environment. For many, especially those who might otherwise be alone or unable to prepare a holiday meal, the dinner offers not only nourishment but also companionship and a strong sense of community. The smiles, conversations, and shared moments throughout the day are a powerful reminder of the compassion and generosity within our community.

Thanks to the continued support of our donors, community members, and local governments, the event concluded the year with a surplus of \$2,834. These funds will help ensure the sustainability and continued growth of the dinner in the years ahead.

We extend our sincere thanks to all who contributed, volunteered, and participated in making this event possible. We look forward to building on this success and serving our community again in the coming year.

Sincerely,

The Amherst Community Christmas Dinner Committee

Rae Burke  
Lacey Fisher  
Gary Porter  
Nicole Schrader

**Amherst Community Christmas Dinner  
Financial Statements  
For the year ended December 31, 2025  
(Notice to Reader - Unaudited)**

**Amherst Community Christmas Dinner  
Income Statement (Unaudited)  
For the 12 months ending December 31, 2025**

	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Revenue from Donations	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,578	\$ 2,765
Revenue from Fund Raising	10,000	14,850	14,300
Revenue from Government Grants	5,000	3,500	5,000
Interest Income	100	207	100
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 17,100</b>	<b>\$ 20,136</b>	<b>\$ 22,165</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Catering Expense	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,250	\$ 16,310
Supplies	200	-	163
Donations	-	-	-
Interest and Bank Charges	50	52	48
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 17,250</b>	<b>\$ 17,302</b>	<b>\$ 16,521</b>
<b>NET REVENUE OVER EXPENSES (EXPENSES OVER REVENUE) -</b>	<b>\$ 150</b>	<b>\$ 2,834</b>	<b>\$ 5,644</b>
	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>KPIs</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Meals Billed</b>	530	550	525
<b>Effective Cost Per Meal</b>	\$ 32.55	\$ 31.46	\$ 31.47

**Amherst Community Christmas Dinner  
Balance Sheet (Unaudited)  
December 31, 2025**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>Budget 2025</b>	<b>Actual 2025</b>	<b>Actual 2024</b>
Cash	\$ 10,668	\$ 13,652	\$ 10,818
Accounts Receivable	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 10,668</b>	<b>\$ 13,652</b>	<b>\$ 10,818</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
Opening Net Assets	\$ 10,818	\$ 10,818	\$ 5,174
Current Year Change in Net Assets	- 150	2,834	5,644
Ending Net Assets	10,668	13,652	10,818
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS AND LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 10,668</b>	<b>\$ 13,652</b>	<b>\$ 10,818</b>

Amherst Community Christmas Dinner  
2025 Financial Accounting

Debit and Description		Balance Sheet				Income				Expenses			Interest and Bank Charges	Check	
Transaction Date	Description 1	Description 2	Bank	GR	Reserves	Expenses	Net Assets	Donation Revenue	Fundraising Revenue	Government Grants	Interest Income	Printing	Donations	Payroll	
1/1/2025	Opening Balance		\$10,819.47	\$	\$	\$	\$10,819.47								
1/2/2025	Monthly fee		-16.50												16.50 = \$0.00
1/7/2025	e-Transfer	Auridyne	DAVID ENMAN (Cash donation received)					-68.00							
1/9/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
1/9/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
1/9/2025	Deposit		2500.00						-500.00						
1/7/2025	GR purchase		-11,300.00	\$11,300.00											
4/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
4/15/2025	Deposit	Cumberland County Board	\$1,500.00						-1,000.00						
4/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
6/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
7/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
8/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
9/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
10/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
11/1/2025	Monthly fee		-3.75												3.75 = \$0.00
12/1/2025	Deposit	Anonymous	\$2,500.00						-2,500.00						
12/9/2025	Deposit	Anonymous	\$1,000.00						-1,000.00						
12/11/2025	Deposit	Don Madson	\$500.00						-500.00						
12/11/2025	Deposit	James Madison	\$500.00						-500.00						
12/18/2025	Deposit	Town of Amherst	\$2,000.00						-2,000.00						
12/18/2025	Deposit	Whole Donations	\$1,000.00						-1,000.00						
12/18/2025	Deposit	Amherst Legion	\$500.00						-500.00						
12/18/2025	Deposit	Hilda Lamelin	\$300.00						-300.00						
12/18/2025	Deposit	A. D. MacEachern Insurance	\$200.00						-200.00						
12/18/2025	Deposit	Carver's Sport Clothing	\$250.00						-250.00						
12/18/2025	Deposit	Molozec	\$250.00						-250.00						
12/19/2025	Deposit	Whole Repair Services Inc.	\$500.00						-500.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	e-transfer	\$250.00						-250.00						
12/21/2025	Transfer	GR Redemption	\$11,507.21	-\$11,300.00							-207.21				
12/21/2025	Deposit	Tandem Motors	\$250.00						-250.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	Elston Corporation	\$2,000.00						-2,000.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	Wu Parking	\$500.00						-500.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	Amherst Chrysler (1989) Limited	\$400.00						-400.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	Cathy Concrete	\$300.00						-300.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	Horizons Home Hardware	\$1,000.00						-1,000.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	Mount Credit Union	\$1,000.00						-1,000.00						
12/21/2025	Deposit	Anthony Mitchell	\$1,000.00						-1,000.00						
12/29/2025	Deposit	Anonymous	\$100.00						-100.00						
12/29/2025	Deposit	Donations at Door	\$1,518.40						-1,518.40						
12/30/2025	Cash	The Old Warehouse Cafe	-\$17,250.00									\$17,250.00			



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Name of Organization: Multicultural Association of Cumberland County

Address of Organization:

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Lisa Emery

Email: emeryvine@gmail.com

Phone: 664-7223

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$2500.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

- Food Samples \$2,000.00
- DJ or Sound System \$100.00
- Photographer \$200.00
- Performers Honorarium \$850.00
- Venue + Kitchen \$200.00
- Calligraphy Kit \$54.70
- Banner+map \$235.47
- Decorations \$150.00

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

over 300 people attended the Welcome Party event in September 2025, taking part in a vendor market, cultural performances, food, information and community strength. We surpassed our goals from the previous year event and brought in several new performers, introducing newcomers and locals to different dance styles and cultures.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

This grant supported the overall goals of our Welcome Party, with the majority of the costs going towards food for the event and volunteers, venue, sound system and photographer. This gave us the opportunity to order more varieties of food, and ensure a well-run event with a proper sound system, venue and photographer to capture the moments of the day.

Signature Rachel Smith

Date February 25, 2026





# Community Support Grant Final Report - Digital

Name of Organization: WestCumb Amateur Radio Club

Address of Organization: 473 Green Road, Tidnish Bridge NS

Contact Person (First, Last Name): Jim Langille

Email: themaritimeamateur@gmail.com

Phone: 902-661-1465

Amount of Community Support Grant received: \$15,000.00

Breakdown of expenses (Please provide an itemized list):

- Trailer - \$21,500.00
- Batteries - \$4,000.00
- Solar Panels & Accessories - \$1,500.00
- Radios & Accessories. - \$7,500.00
- Computers / Monitors - \$1,200.00
- Generator Inverter - \$1,140.00
- Other items - \$5,160.00

What was the outcome of the event/festival? (Community reach if applicable):

The trailer build is not fully complete but is now operational. Some additional storage to be added and still requires logos to be added - this will come from club funds.

We have already had an initial meetings with four local schools - Amherst Junior High, Senior High, Oxford and Springhill and talked to the staff about setting up the trailer this spring to show the students interested in communications, science, alternative energy and geography.

We also have been contacted by the local Scout Troop leader regarding making it part of their program.

The trailer will also be scheduled for several local community street events and parades throughout the coming year.

How did this grant help to achieve the overall goals?

This grant was instrumental in giving us the ability to purchase a new trailer "Made in Canada" and install all the options we wanted to make it a complete radio communications trailer ready for teaching & training interested persons and of course be available to EMO, local agencies, NS Guard if needed in a real emergency or disaster.

The trailer will run on electrical mains, generator and most important solar power.

Signature Jim Langille

Date March 1st, 2026



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**SECTION: All Town Departments**  
**POLICY NO: 72000-08**

**APPROVAL DATE:** March 24, 2025

**CAO Signature:** 

## **POLICY STATEMENT**

- a. The Community Support Grants Policy guides the allocation of financial and in-kind contributions to non-profit or charitable organizations that are based in the Town of Amherst and are providing services that in the opinion of Council, are of a benefit to the residents and businesses of the Town. Applicants and Groups that actively support inclusion, diversity, accessibility and equity will be given priority consideration as will those applications that enhance community well-being and increase the social determinants of health, such as, but not limited to food insecurity, affordable housing, early childhood development, education, social inclusion and non-discrimination of the citizens of Amherst
- b. This program does not govern the following, which are separately administered:
  - i. Tax Exemption for Non-Profit Organizations (full and partial tax exemption by-laws);
  - ii. Residential Property Tax Rebates (low-income homeowners)

## **POLICY OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of this policy are:

- a. to outline the requirements to apply and be considered for a Community Support Grant
- b. to establish equitable guidelines for the distribution of limited amounts of funds to non-profit and charitable organizations in a manner approved by Council.
- c. to ensure that groups applying for Community Support Grants are evaluated on a consistent, equitable basis, utilizing the same evaluation criteria; and
- d. to provide for public disclosure of a list of grant recipients and the amounts of those grants.

### **1. SCOPE**

The Program includes financial grants in the form of cash and in-kind services (for use of municipal facilities, for example). The value of requests is not limited; however, applicants must be aware that:

- a. The application process is competitive;
- b. There are more grant applications received than available funding;
- c. Past funding commitments should not be interpreted as a guarantee that future requests will be approved. The Town is interested in ensuring that organizations are self-sufficient;
- d. The Town would like to support programs and events that promote community well being and health and safety of our citizens. With that in mind, events based on alcohol consumption (beer gardens, wine tasting tours etc.) may only receive support if other community benefits can be shown. Overall, the Town will show preference to events that are family friendly and support the overall well being of the community.

### **2. EXCLUSIONS**

The following are exclusions from the grant program:

- a. While Council reserves the right to, it is not the intent of this policy to fund activities of organizations that are clearly within the mandate of the Government of Nova Scotia (hospitals, medical programs, treatment services or social services programs) or the Government of Canada (e.g., health, social services)
- b. The Town of Amherst will not consider requests received as part of general (mass) mailing or telemarketing campaigns

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- c. Funding applications will not be considered from the following:
  - i. Businesses;
  - ii. Provincial Government organizations;
  - iii. School Boards or quasi government organizations;
  - iv. Non-profit organizations for the purpose of funding accumulated deficits;
  - v. Any organization for the purpose of fundraising to distribute to other organizations/individuals; and
  - vi. Organizations with political affiliations.
- d. Funding will not normally be provided to religious organizations where services include the promotion or required adherence to a particular belief
- e. Funding will also not normally be provided to fundraising campaigns of national charitable organizations either directly or indirectly.
- f. Funding will not normally be provided to organizations who are planning to give proceeds of the event to another organization.

### **3. ALLOCATION OF FUNDS**

Council is not obligated to:

- a. Provide funding in the form of Community Support Grants;
- b. Spend all the funds allocated for grants in any given year;
- c. Award the full amount requested in an application; or
- d. Renew any grant

### **4. GUIDELINES**

The following guidelines apply to all grant requests except those listed in 4 above:

- a. Funding will generally be limited to no more than 40% of overall costs for an event or program
- b. Funding cannot be used to directly purchase products regulated by the Liquor Control Act R.S., c. 260, s. 1. or the Cannabis Control Act 2018, c. 3, s. 1.
- c. Preference is given to new initiatives; however, grants may be provided in multiple years for the same initiative.

### **5. PROGRAMS**

The following are a list of the grants available:

#### **a. Sport, Arts, and Culture**

Maximum funding considered will be \$1000 for a team and \$250 for an individual:

- i. This includes amounts for teams / groups and individuals traveling to Provincial, National and International competitions and events when the Amherst based teams or individual have been successful at a regional qualifying competition recognized by its relevant provincial or national umbrella organization, or have been invited by such an organization;
- ii. The team / group is in the Town of Amherst and is considered by the provincial or national umbrella organization to be the home for the team;

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- iii. The individual is competing / attending as an individual and has their principal residence in the Town of Amherst;
- iv. The Town of Amherst resident has been selected / qualified to represent the Province of Nova Scotia or Canada at a national or international competition / event.

**b. Festivals, Arts and Cultural Events Grants**

Under this component will generally not exceed \$5,000

- i. Event must demonstrate broad community support;
- ii. Provides an experience not duplicated by other ongoing events, festivals or activities.
- iii. Draw spectators locally, from the Maritimes, nationally or internationally and increases the profile of our community;
- iv. Must be affiliated with a local community non-profit organization.

**c. Organizational Equipment**

Operational and capital equipment purchase requests will be considered on an individual basis.

**d. Funding for Social Equity Initiatives**

For the purposes of this policy, "Social Equity Funding" is defined as the annual funding allotment within the Community Support Area Rate, including any reserves for this purpose, to be used for initiatives that specifically target social equity issues. All applications which Council feels meet this definition and for which Council is considering funding from the annual Social Equity Funding allotment or associated reserves set aside for this purpose may be referred to the respective committees for a recommendation.

Notwithstanding the above, Council reserves the right to fund such poverty initiatives from other sources in addition to or in lieu of the annual Social Equity Funding allotment.

**e. Large Scale Projects**

Applications for large scale projects (generally greater than \$5,000 or multi-year initiatives) will be evaluated on an individual basis. In these cases, Council may require Municipal representation on a board, the development of an MOU and/or other reporting requirements etc.

**6. APPLICATION PROCESS**

The following outlines the application process:

A call out for applications will be issued by the Town in the months leading up to budget time. Community organizations will be encouraged to apply during this initial call out however applications can and will be received throughout the year and be considered based on budget availability.

Community groups may submit more than one application per year however Council will prioritize funding over a diverse collection of applications to ensure fairness and equity for all.

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- a) Applications - must submit the following information
  - i. A complete Community Grant Application
  - ii. a proposed budget for the project
- b) The Town of Amherst may request additional information as deemed necessary.

### **7. APPROVAL PROCESS**

- a. For applications over \$1,000 staff will review applications, ensure requirements have been met and make recommendations to Council. Funding will be determined by council upon reviewing the proposal and recommendations from staff.

### **8. AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) may approve applications that are less than \$1000 provided such applications qualify in accordance with this policy. Council will be notified by email upon approval of each application and a media release will be issued to communicate the support provided by the Town under the application. A list of applications approved will be provided to Council quarterly. (March, June, September and December).

The CAO may waive the cost for Town owned facility rentals for organizations carrying out an event or service that satisfies the intent of this policy to a maximum of four rental waivers per year per organization.

### **9. PAYMENT PROCESS**

For amounts over \$1,000 payment will be made at time of award.

### **10. CONDITIONS**

- a. Grant recipients shall:
  - i. Make no misrepresentation on their application
  - ii. Use the grant as described in the application
  - iii. Use the funds in the year granted
  - iv. Council and/or the CAO may request an in-depth report for grants over \$5,000 at their discretion
  - v. Recipients from previous years who received over \$2,000 will be asked to complete a report detailing expenses and impact on the community or individual. This report will be sent prior to the call for applications each year. This report must be completed prior to the new application being considered.
- b. Grant recipients shall keep proper books of accounts and receipts of all expenditures related to the project and shall make them available for inspection by the Town of Amherst upon request.
- c. Non-compliance, in any aspect could result in no funding being awarded in the future year(s)

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- d. Grant recipients are required to acknowledge the financial support of the Town of Amherst in all advertising, publicity, programs and signage for which funds are granted
- e. If the event/project does not occur for any reason, all grant monies must be returned
- f. Grant recipients who fail to comply with these conditions may be required to return all or partial funds to the Town of Amherst and may be deemed ineligible for Community Support Grant funding in future years.

**11. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE**

- a. The Town of Amherst will provide financial information with respect to the budgeted amounts disbursed and actual amounts disbursed on an annual basis
- b. A summary of grant awards will be posted on the Town of Amherst's website in accordance with s.65C(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*

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**Application for Funding**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**REQUEST FOR IN-KIND FACILITY RENTAL**

**1. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE BEING REQUESTED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Total cost of program event or activity \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**3. What is the purpose for the funding requested? (Sport and Physical Activity, Arts/Culture Events, Festivals, Organizational Equipment, Community Well-Being etc.)**

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

**4. Please attach a budget for the tournament, event or activity; include sources of revenue and ALL costs. Please attach all documents that support the funding request.**

**5. What are the expected benefits to the community? (Event participation numbers; local, regional, provincial or national attraction; time span; community assets being used; support from business community)**

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**6. Please list all funding sources and/or other community partners for this event:**

NAME	FUNDING IF ANY

**7. How many volunteers contribute to this event or festival:** \_\_\_\_\_



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## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Title/Role	Responsibilities
Director Community Living	To ensure adherence to the policy. Advise staff of Policy changes and create awareness in the community of policy changes.
Mayor and Council	Review and approve applications as required.
CAO	Ensure applications under \$1,000 are reviewed and decision made in accordance with policy.

For Administrative Use Only:

## VERSION LOG

Amendment Description	Policy Owner	Approved By	Approval Date
Amendments to policy to collapse A fresh grants, streamline application process, increase CAO approval limit, inclusion of MAP requirements, rewording to ensure policy is more inclusive and promotes community well-being	Director Community Living, Bristol	Council	February 27, 2023
Amendment to policy to remove Deed Transfer reference from Poverty Funding. Rename Poverty Funding to Social Equity.	Director Community Living, Bristol	Council	April 24, 2023
Eliminate section 4 as it is exclusionary of other organizations; amend Section 9 Payment Process to eliminate the two phased payment approach as this is administratively time consuming and places undue pressure on community organizations; and amend Section 10 Conditions to include the reporting requirement for organizations who intend to reapply for future grants. This will allow for transparency on how funds are used and the impact on the community.	Director, Community Living, Bristol	Council	October 30, 2023

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Change the requirement to send applications to the social equity committees from will to may	Director, Community Living, Bristol	Council	March 24, 2025
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