

# Subject Matter: Safe and Healthy Communities Grant 2025 Allocations

### **Department: Community Development Services**

Presented By: Patrick Lancaster

### Council Meeting Date: December 16, 2024

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council approve the 2025 Safe and Healthy Communities Grant allocation of \$32,750 as follows:

- 1. Lloydminster Area Drug Strategy for Cessation and Buyback \$6,750;
- 2. Lloydminster Area Drug Strategy for An Influential Generation \$6,500;
- 3. Lloydminster Interval Home for Luvin' my Life \$10,000.

**Issue:** The Community Services Advisory Committee has reviewed applications for the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant and provided recommendations for Council approval.

**Background:** Under the Business License Bylaw, the City of Lloydminster collects fees under the categories of Tobacco/Flavored/Vapour Products Retailer (\$825) and Cannabis Retailer (\$1,675).

Collected Fees	2021	2022	2023	2024
Tobacco/Flavored/Vapour Product Retailers	\$26,350.00	\$24,800.00	\$27,125.00	\$28,000.00
Cannabis Retailers	\$14,487.50	\$13,725.00	\$13,725.00	\$12,800.00
Total	\$40,837.50	\$38,525.00	\$40,850.00	\$40,800.00

Council approved the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant Policy No. 551-05 on August 15, 2022. The purpose of this Policy is to ensure proper distribution of fees collected pursuant to the sections related to Tobacco Retailer Surcharge and Cannabis Retailer Surcharge in the Business Licensee Bylaw to non-profit organizations and City led initiatives that enhance the health, wellness, and safety of residents.

The objectives of this funding include:

- 1. reduce costs to enforce legislation, such as acts, regulations, bylaws, or policies, pertaining to addictive substances;
- 2. provide education on the harms and risks associated with addictive substances;
- 3. support the cessation of the use of addictive substances;
- 4. promote the adoption of healthy, addictive substance-free lifestyles; and/or
- 5. provide education to recognize risks, make informed choices and consider the consequences of decisions and behaviors regarding the use of addictive substances.

Under the Policy these objectives can be accomplished through direct programming by the City of Lloydminster or through a community grant process.



The call for applications for the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant opened October 1, 2024, and closed November 8, 2024. Three (3) applications were received totaling \$23,250 in requests. The budget for this allocation process had been set at \$34,000. Recommendations totaling \$23,250 were approved leaving \$10,750 in surplus.

As per 8.1 in the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant Policy the Community Services Advisory Committee held a vote on whether to enact a second call for applications. It was decided to recommend to the City that a second call for applications take place to utilize the remaining funds.

Organization	Program	2024 Funding	2025 Request	2025 Recommended	
YLL My Home (Lloydminster & Area Drug Strategy)	Cessation & BuyBack	\$ 6,750.00	\$ 6,750.00	\$	6,750.00
YLL My Home (Lloydminster & Area Drug Strategy)	An Influential Generation	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$	6,500.00
Lloydminster Spark Foundation (Previously Lloydminster Interval Home Society)	Luvin' My Life	\$10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$	10,000.00
Total Request				\$	23,250.00
2025 SHC Grant Budget				\$	34,000.00
Surplus				\$	10,750.00

### **Options:**

- 1. That Council approve the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant allocations as presented.
- 2. That Council not approve the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant allocations as presented.
- 3. That Council request further information and that the item be brought forward to a future Regular Council Meeting for decision.

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:** This item is in alignment with the following strategic area: Providing a Safe Community. Funds will be distributed to community programs to enhance the health, wellness, and safety of residents.

### Legal Review: N/A

**Governance Implications:** The Safe and Healthy Communities allocation process is governed by the Community Services Advisory Bylaw No.13-2020 and the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant Policy No. 551-05.

**Budget/Financial Implications:** Funds collected through the Business License Bylaw for the Tobacco/Flavoured/Vapour Products and Cannabis Retailer fees provide funding for this grant.

# **Environmental Implications:** N/A



# **Report Approval Details**

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