

STAFF REPORT: Administration



**REPORT TO: Finance and Administration
Committee**

MEETING DATE: August 19, 2008

REPORT NO.: CEDC.08.13

**SUBJECT: Applications for Grants and
Donations**

**PREPARED BY: Lisa Kidd, Communications and
Economic Development
Coordinator**

A. Recommendations

That Council receive Staff Report CEDC.08.13 'Applications for Grants and Donations' for information purposes; and

THAT Council authorize funding of The Thornbury Rock and Roll Festival and The North East Grey Clinics Incorporated, in the amount of \$3604.27 to be paid through the Grants and Donations Program.

B. Background

The Town of The Blue Mountains has implemented a 'Grants and Donations Program' for community groups and organizations to make application for financial support for events and activities.

The new program aims to reduce duplication and streamline the process for subsidies and donations.

Attachment 1 provides (i) a list of the applications received, (ii) whether or not they meet the criteria and guidelines outlined in the application and (iii) the amount of the request.

The Thornbury Rock and Roll Festival is seeking financial support to cover the costs of Municipal Facility Rental (\$1453.53), decorations (\$1391.74) and radio advertising (\$714.00). Part of the proceeds from the event will go to the Beaver Valley Outreach. Please note that Council adopted a recommendation earlier this year to fund the Beaver Valley Outreach in the amount of \$4155.00 for rental subsidization for 2008 Community events and fundraisers.

The North East Grey Health Clinics Incorporated is seeking the use of the Hall at the Beaver Valley Community Centre for a Public Meeting on the Health Clinics Project, scheduled for August 27, 2008. The cost to rent the Hall is \$45.00. Please note that Council adopted a recommendation earlier this year to fund The North East Grey Health Clinics Inc. in the amount of \$900.00 for a fundraiser dance on May 3, 2008.

The total amount of requests contained herein is \$3604.27.

C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan

Strategic Action 3.5 Continue to support cultural groups and community events.

D. Environmental Impacts

None.

E. Budget Impact

The Grants and Donations program is part of the 2008 Communications and Economic Development Budget. Council approved \$90,000 for this Program. Contingent upon support of these recommendations, the Grants and Donations Budget will have \$2,316.98 remaining in the budget.

F. Attached

Attachment 1- Grants and Donations: Qualification and Request Summary

Respectfully submitted,

Signature

Attachment 1-Qualification and Request Summary

Application Date	July 29, 2008
Applicant	Linda Thorn- Valley Community Productions
Donation/Grant Request	\$3,559.27
Purpose	To help cover Municipal Facility Rental, decorations and advertising of the Thornbury Rock and Roll Festival for Charity (The Martels Dance) with proceeds going to the Beaver Valley Outreach

Service or Business	Linda Thorn is organizing this third annual event with proceeds going to the Beaver Valley Outreach.
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Criteria for Application (must meet one of the following)

Seed (Start up) Funds	
Special Event or Program	Yes
Unique Need	
None of the Above	

Guidelines (must meet all of the following)

Not for Profit	Yes
Applicant Located in Community and/or Primarily Benefits Local Residents	Yes
Demonstrate Managerial Expertise, Organization Ability, Good Financial Management ¹	Yes
Supplied Accurate Financial Information	Yes

Special Consideration

New and Innovative Events and Programs ²	
Community Outreach and Education	Yes
Projected Audience	General Population
Compatibility with Town Priorities and Strategic Planning	3.5

Staff Recommendation

Eligible	Yes
Not Eligible	

¹ This is defined as an organization/applicant operating without debt.

² It is understood here, that new and innovative events and programs are a consideration of Council.

Application Date	August 11, 2008
Applicant	North East Grey Health Clinics Inc.
Donation/Grant Request	\$45.00
Purpose	Offset rental fee for use of Municipal Facility for a Public Information Meeting on Community Health Care on August 27, 2008.

Service or Business	The North East Grey Health Clinics is an organization leading in and supporting the fundraising for a new health clinic in Thornbury.
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Criteria for Application (must meet one of the following)

Seed (Start up) Funds	
Special Event or Program	Yes
Unique Need	
None of the Above	

Guidelines (must meet all of the following)

Not for Profit	Yes
Applicant Located in Community and/or Primarily Benefits Local Residents	Yes
Demonstrate Managerial Expertise, Organization Ability, Good Financial Management	Yes
Supplied Accurate Financial Information	Yes

Special Consideration

New and Innovative Events and Programs	
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