



# REPORT

## Treasury Department

**TO:** Mayor and Members of Council

**FROM:** Donna Condon, Treasurer, On Behalf of the Golf Fund Committee

**DATE:** June 27, 2022

**REPORT:** TR-21/22                      **FILE NO.** TR-21/22

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**SUBJECT:** 2022 Golf Fund Recommendations.

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### BACKGROUND:

Each year the Township of Uxbridge holds the Uxbridge Mayor's Charity Golf Tournament. The net proceeds from this tournament are placed in a Golf Fund (held by the Township), and are used to provide funding to individuals and groups (within the Township of Uxbridge) whom have make a request for financial assistance, while meeting specified criteria. The Township has established a Golf Fund Committee, whose role is to review all financial requests, and to determine whether the individual or group is eligible for financial assistance as well as the amount of that financial assistance.

The General Framework for the Golf Fund Proceeds are as follows:

- The funds are to be used to support community events, programs or services within the Township of Uxbridge, in addition to supporting groups/teams or individuals or not for profit organizations or charities within the Township of Uxbridge.
- The amount of the grant awarded will be determined by the Golf Fund Committee (based on the event and circumstances), up to a maximum amount of \$1,000 per applicant. If a request is made for funding in excess of \$1,000 as a result of special circumstances, this request will need to go to the Finance Committee for approval. Only one successful applicant (per team/individual) will be allowed per calendar year, in order to increase the reach of support.
- Applicants for Golf Funds, cannot be in receipt of TAB (Tourism Advisory Board) funding and vice versa, in the same calendar year or in support of the same event.

- Applicants participating in activities of a commercial nature (or with a commercial element) will not be eligible for funding from the Golf Fund.
- The general rule is that the Golf Funds will be used to support community events, programs or services and groups/teams or individuals or not for profit organizations or charities within the Township of Uxbridge, however, there may be instances where the Committee (at their discretion) will award grants to events/activities that will benefit both Uxbridge residents and or other communities at the same time.

## DISCUSSION:

Through the years 2010 to 2021, the Township has raised net funds through the Golf Tournament of \$164,747 and made payments (see attached) from this fund in the amount of \$109,487, leaving a balance in the Golf Fund of \$55,260 at the end of December 31, 2021. The balance in the Golf Fund is at an all time high, given the impact that imposed COVID restrictions had on activities and events in the community (ie. they were cancelled, deferred or altered).

The community continues to rally in the wake of a devastating tornado that touched down in Uxbridge on May 21st, leaving behind extensive damage. The Township declared a State of Emergency on May 21st and is in effect until further notice. The State of Emergency is an administrative tool to assist the Township with storm recovery operations.

The Township was recently notified, that the Province has approved and activated the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians (DRAO) program for Township of Uxbridge residents within the **specified activation area who qualify**. This program can help property owners recover costs after a natural disaster including: clean up expenses, costs to repair or replace essential property and basic emergency expenses like evacuation travel costs.

The Golf Fund Committee recognizes that it may take several months for residents to commence repairs, rebuilds and clean up, to settle with their insurance providers and to go through the process of seeking funding through the DRAO program. With this in mind, the Golf Fund Committee recommends the following:

- That Council earmarks \$30,000 from the Uxbridge Golf Fund of \$55,260, that the Golf Fund Committee can use to distribute money to Organizations (but not individuals) that are in need and whose mandate is to help Uxbridge residents recover from the Storm;
- That Council allow the Golf Fund Committee to work with these Organizations over the next year in order to understand their needs and be able to disburse funds from the earmarked funds (in excess of our \$1,000 limit) where the Golf Fund Committee feels that the greatest needs can be met.
- The Golf Fund Committee feels that it is still early days and we may not fully understand where and what the longer term needs will be for residents and we want to be careful that we wait till the need is clear as we don't want to distribute funds to soon and then find out that the funds were not needed and are sitting in an Organizations reserve.
- The Golf Fund Committee has chosen to support Organizations that currently offer support to Uxbridge residents with respect to the impact of the storm, as they are 'in the business of' and have the professional expertise and

knowledge to identify and address resident needs and work with these individuals directly.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Report TR-21/22 be received for information;

AND THAT Council approve earmarking \$30,000 from the Uxbridge Golf Fund, that the Golf Fund Committee can use to distribute funds in excess of \$1,000 to Organizations (but not individuals) that are in need and whose mandate is to help Uxbridge residents recover from the Storm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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On Behalf of the Golf Fund Committee