

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 25, 2019
FROM:	CHERYL SMITH MANAGING DIRECTOR NEIGHBOURHOOD, CHILDREN AND FIRE SERVICES
SUBJECT:	LONDON COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services, the report providing an update on the London Community Grants Program **BE RECEIVED** for information.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER
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- London Community Grants Policy Update, (April 8, 2019)
- London Community Grants Program Innovation and Capital Funding Allocations, (Sept. 17, 2018; Sept 18, 2017; Sept 26, 2016)
- London Community Grants Program: 2017 Annual Report and 2018 Innovation and Capital Stream Outcomes and Sustainability Plans, (March 26, 2018)
- London Community Grants Program Multi-Year Funding Allocations 2017–2019 (July 25, 2016)
- City of London Community Grants Program: Proposed Evaluation Criteria and Revised Community Grants Policy & Grant Agreement (December 7, 2015)
- Modernizing the Municipal Granting Process for Non-Profit Organizations (October 26, 2015)

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE CITY OF LONDON
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The London Community Grants Program is aligned to the Strategic Plan for the City of London 2019 – 2023 under the *Strategic Area of Focus – Strengthening Our Community, Outcome – Londoners are engaged and have a sense of belonging in their neighbourhoods and community;* and *Strategic Area of Focus – Creating a Safe London for Women and Girls, Outcome – London has enhanced the potential for women and girls to live safe lives.*

BACKGROUND

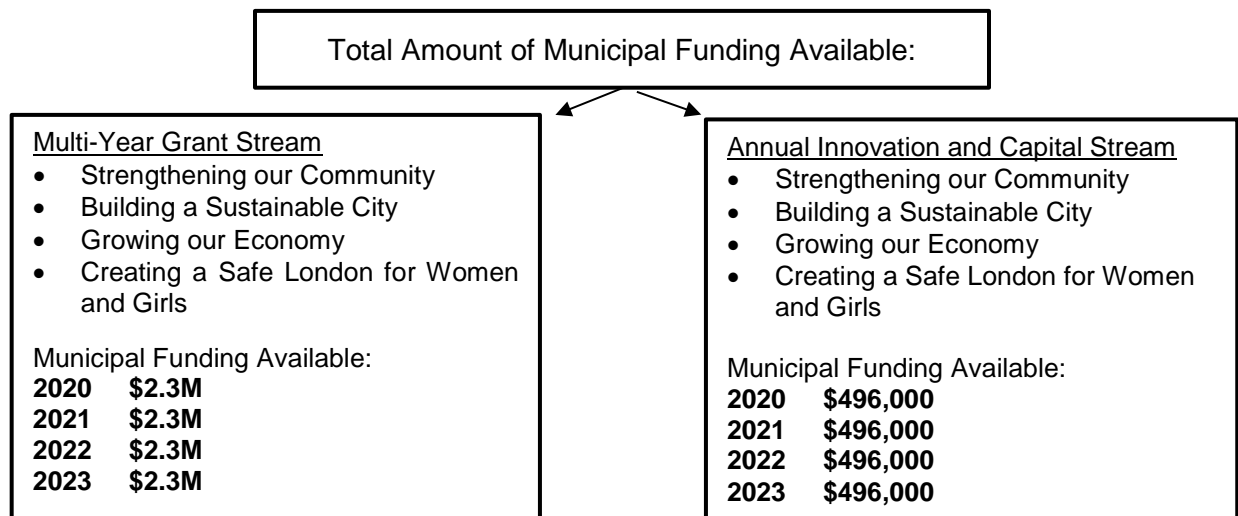
The London Community Grants Program (LCGP) provides funding for programs and initiatives that advance the Strategic Areas of Focus for the City of London’s Strategic Plan. In the Spring of 2019, the application process for the 2020-2023 Multi-Year and 2020 Innovation and Capital Streams of the London Community Grants Program was launched.

The purpose of this report is to:

1. provide Council with an update on the implementation of the London Community Grants Program;
2. provide Council with the 2020-2023 allocations for the Multi-Year Stream; and,
3. provide Council with the 2020 allocations for the Innovation and Capital Stream.

London Community Grants Program Implementation

City Council establishes the policy and budget for the London Community Grants Program. Through the 2020-2023 Multi-Year Budget process, the following amount of funding is part of the Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services base budget:



Civic Administration undertook the following steps to implement the London Community Grants Program.

- Step 1: Communication and Support (April to June 2019): a detailed communications plan was developed and launched to inform the community about the LCGP and application process including three community meetings for interested organizations.
- Step 2: Application Process (April 30 to June 24, 2019): applicants used an online portal to submit applications.
- Step 3: Application Review and Decision Making Process (June to September 2019): the Community Review Panel reviewed, evaluated, and decided on allocations for municipal grants. Please note that in 2019 a new Community Review Panel was convened. Members at Large were selected through an open call to all London residents. As per the LCGP Administrative Procedures, members of the Community Review Panel will remain anonymous until all funding decisions have been made in 2022.
- Step 4: Appeals Process (September to October 2019): Organizations were entitled to appeal a decision made by the Community Review Panel if they could illustrate they met one or more of the following criteria: there was new information, that for good reason, was not available at the time of the application; and/or, there was a procedural error made in evaluating the grant application. Civic Administration received, reviewed, and addressed the Appeals as per the London Community Grants Policy. As per the Policy, decisions of appeals are final.

Results: 2020-2023 Allocations for Multi-Year Stream

A total of 71 applications, with requests totaling more than \$27.5M were received for the 2020-2023 Multi-Year Stream. The Community Review Panel met to review the applications and supported funding 41 applications totaling \$9.2M. Of these 41 applications, 19 (46%) did not receive operational funding through the last round of Multi-Year funding (2017-2019).

Please see [Appendix 1](#) for allocation details.

Results: 2020 Innovation and Capital Stream

A total of 26 applications (15 Capital and 11 Innovation), with requests totaling more than \$4.3M were received for the 2020 Innovation and Capital Stream. The Community Review Panel met to review the applications and supported eight Capital requests and one Innovation request.

Please see [Appendix 2](#) for allocation details.

The Community Review Panel referred one 2020 Capital project request in excess of the available budget through the budget process as per the London Community Grants Policy. Fanshawe College submitted an application in the amount of \$3M to support the development of an Innovation Village on campus.

As per the London Community Grants Policy, section 4.5 c) i, on the recommendation of the Community Review Panel, a business case has been submitted to the 2020-2023 Multi-Year Budget for consideration by Council.

NEXT STEPS

Civic Administration will work with all funded organizations from December 2019 to January 2020 to create and sign grant agreements for funding to be released in early 2020 pending approval of the 2020-2023 Multi-Year Budget. Through the formal grant agreement, financial and outcome reporting expectations are clearly outlined.

Civic Administration will report annually to City Council, highlighting the municipal granting outcomes, community impact, and alignment to the Strategic Plan for the City of London.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Annual funding to support the London Community Grants Program exists in the Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services 2020-2023 Multi-Year Budget. The amount of funding allocated to the municipal granting program will be reconfirmed each year as part of the annual budget update process.

CONCLUSION

The London Community Grants Program facilitates community investment and planning, providing not-for-profit organizations with opportunities to build social and cultural infrastructure, and strengthen neighbourhoods as key strategic determinants for the health and well-being of local communities. This funding helps advance the Strategic Areas of Focus for the City of London's Strategic Plan.

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LONDON COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM MULTI-YEAR FUNDING ALLOCATIONS (2020-2023)

Organization / Project Description	BSC	SOC	GOE	CSL	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Alzheimer Society London and Middlesex <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Dementia Friendly Community Program which offers dementia training and resources across multi-sectoral areas including: retail, financial, recreation, municipal services, and healthcare etc. in order to educate the public of dementia awareness. 					\$38,000	\$38,000	\$38,000	\$38,000	\$152,000
Anova <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support sexual assault counselling which provides support and intervention services to women that have experienced sexual violence, as well as their families, and partners. 					\$47,500	\$47,500	\$47,500	\$47,500	\$190,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of London and Area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Community-Based Ethno-Racial Child & Youth Mentoring Project which focuses on matching newcomer children, youth, and mothers with supportive mentoring relationships that meet their unique cultural needs. 					\$47,500	\$47,500	\$47,500	\$47,500	\$190,000
Boys & Girls Club of London <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support seniors programming, children and youth recreation, social, and nutrition programs, children and youth education, and leadership initiatives. 					\$369,750	\$339,750	\$369,750	\$369,750	\$1,449,000
Canadian Mental Health Association Middlesex <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Coordinated Service Response for the Crystal Methamphetamine Project which will create a system of care, training, and resources for those servicing people involved with crystal methamphetamine such as first responders, health care and social service workers, enforcement personnel, and business owners. 					\$32,062	\$86,400	\$79,000	\$0	\$197,462
Carolinian Canada Coalition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the In Zone Climate-Smart Yards which will deliver a training program for businesses, neighbourhood leaders, green programs and ambassadors. The program will build capacity and provide tools and mentorship to increase the number of climate-smart people, businesses, and sites in London, as a model for the Carolinian Zone. 					\$12,750	\$12,750	\$12,750	\$12,750	\$51,000

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Craigwood Children, Youth and Family Services (hosting INsite Program) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the INsite program providing immediate, onsite counselling and referrals to community resources and services. INsite serves individuals, parents, children, youth, couples or the entire family across the lifespan. As core partners work together, there are seamless transitions between agencies and across sectors. The clinic teams have integrated their knowledge, expertise, and capacity to achieve the INsite goal of system change. INsite is a partnership of six agencies: Anova, Craigwood Children, Youth and Family Services, Family Service Thames Valley, Vanier Children's Services, WAYS Mental Health Support, and Women's Rural Resource Centre. 					\$23,750	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$95,000
Crouch Neighbourhood Resource Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support programs for children, youth, families, and older adults in the Hamilton Road area including basic needs programs and supports, community development, and youth leadership. 					\$104,500	\$104,500	\$104,500	\$104,500	\$418,000
Daya Counselling Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support subsidies to individuals, couples, and families in financial need who are struggling with mental health related issues to access counselling services. 					\$23,750	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$95,000
Glen Cairn Community Resource Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support programs for children, youth, families, and older adults in the Glen Cairn/Pond Mills area including basic needs programs and supports, community development, and youth leadership. 					\$59,500	\$59,500	\$59,500	\$59,500	\$238,000
Goodwill Industries, Ontario Great Lakes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Impact Loan Program which is a microloan program that provides low-income entrepreneurs facing barriers to traditional financing, the opportunity to access capital and business knowledge in a supported environment in order to start and grow a business. 					\$21,575	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,575
Growing Chefs! Ontario <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Growing Communities program which encourages community members to cultivate a connection with the local food system, participate in activities to increase food literacy, cooking skills, and promote long-lasting healthy food choices in partnership with schools, neighbourhood centres, and community program providers in locations across the city. 					\$33,250	\$33,250	\$33,250	\$33,250	\$133,000

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L'Arche London <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support a Program Coordinator to build capacity and growth for day programming services, provide client intake, assessment and match needs for individuals with intellectual disabilities. 					\$25,500	\$25,500	\$25,500	\$25,500	\$102,000
Learning Disabilities Association of London Region <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support programming, individual coaching, advocacy, and community resources for children and youth with learning disorders. 					\$14,250	\$14,250	\$14,250	\$14,250	\$57,000
London & Middlesex Heritage Museum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support Fanshawe Pioneer Village Community History Interpretive Program which offers community-focused historical exhibitions and instructive programs. Funding will also support the Museum to build Indigenous content and engaging and strengthening relationships with Indigenous leaders and communities. 					\$234,500	\$256,500	\$256,500	\$256,500	\$1,004,000
London Abused Women's Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support a designated counsellor to address the increased number of walk-in, phone-in, and urgent support needs for abused, sexually-exploited, and trafficked women and girls. 					\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$170,000
London Children's Museum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support children, families and caregivers with access to affordable hands-on learning experiences, cultural exhibits and programs in a distinctly child-centered environment. Youth leadership programs provide opportunities to build skills and provide work related experience for future careers in education, child care, and museum curating. 					\$161,500	\$161,500	\$146,624	\$161,500	\$631,124
London Community Dental Alliance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support a not-for-profit dental clinic, offering oral health to low-income Londoners, scheduled to open in 2021 in the Glen Cairn neighbourhood. 					\$0	\$33,250	\$33,250	\$33,250	\$99,750
London Cycle Link Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Squeaky Wheel Bike Co-op which provides a bike repair shop, access to tools, and builds community through satellite community events, workshops, and volunteer opportunities. In addition, funding will support increased community engagement and knowledge through awareness, workshops, events, shared skills, and ridership. 					\$47,500	\$47,500	\$47,500	\$47,500	\$190,000

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London Environmental Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Environmental Incubator which provides coaching and supports to organizations looking to improve their environmental outcomes related to waste reduction, recycling, protecting and enhancing waterways, wetlands, natural areas, energy reduction, and conservation. 					\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$170,000
London Youth Advisory Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Youth Council to recruit, orient, and support elected youth who are engaged in municipal politics and grassroots community engagement. 					\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$42,500	\$170,000
Low Income Family Empowerment*Sole-support Parents Information Network (LIFE*SPIN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Community Service Expansion project to increase service hours and provide enhanced programming, and counselling to low-income Londoners. 					\$8,550	\$8,550	\$8,550	\$8,550	\$34,200
LUSO Community Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support programs for children, youth, families, and older adults in the Carling/Huron Heights/Argyle area including basic needs programs and supports, community development, youth leadership while increasing social connectedness, neighbourhood participation, and volunteerism. 					\$71,250	\$71,250	\$71,250	\$71,250	\$285,000
Nokee Kwe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Positive Voice Program which provides programming, supports, and training for women using art, culture, and creativity to generate positive conversations and displays as well as a safer experience for Indigenous women living in London. 					\$42,750	\$42,750	\$42,750	\$42,750	\$171,000
Northwest London Resource Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support programs for children, youth, families, and older adults in the northwest area including basic needs programs and supports, community development, youth leadership while increasing social connectedness, neighbourhood participation, and volunteerism. 					\$51,063	\$51,063	\$51,063	\$51,063	\$204,252
Pillar Nonprofit Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Engaged Vibrant Community project which provides workshops, forums, and learning series' to the not-for-profit sector in order to build capacity around: Board Governance, Leadership Development, and communities of practice addressing emerging needs such as the Truth and Reconciliation Report Calls to Action. 					\$42,750	\$42,750	\$42,750	\$42,750	\$171,000

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ReForest London <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support programs, workshops and volunteer skill development at the new four building, 14 acre, Westminster Ponds Centre for Environment & Sustainability. 					\$71,250	\$71,250	\$71,250	\$71,250	\$285,000
SafeSpace London <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support increased programming including: health promotion, harm reduction, peer support, basic needs resources, and support programs for Street-Level Sex Workers. 					\$14,250	\$14,250	\$14,250	\$14,250	\$57,000
Satellite Project Space (hosted by Museum London) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support promotion, community outreach, audience development, and enhanced mentorship of a Satellite Project Space. In partnership with Fanshawe College, Museum London, and Western University, the Satellite Project Space provides a flexible space for new and temporary projects, collaborations, educational initiatives and experiments in arts and culture involving high school and post-secondary students, community members, curators, and professional artists. 					\$5,700	\$5,700	\$5,700	\$5,700	\$22,800
South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will programs for children, youth, families, and older adults in the White Oaks/Westminster/Westmount areas including basic needs programs and supports, community development, youth leadership while increasing social connectedness, neighbourhood participation, and volunteerism. 					\$113,000	\$113,000	\$113,000	\$113,000	\$452,000
The London Cross-Cultural Learner Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the “Neighbourhood Celebration of Nations”, a one day event of sports, music, food, and activities focused on civic engagement, improving health and well-being, and the inclusion and integration of newcomers into the London community. 					\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$38,000
The London Multicultural Community Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the London Multi-Cultural Festival which is a one day event showcasing London’s cultural communities and ethnic talents. The event will increase community connections, and support a welcoming community. 					\$6,800	\$6,800	\$6,800	\$6,800	\$27,200

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The N'Amerind (London) Friendship Centre Inc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Dorothy Day Resource Centre which offers a wide range of Indigenous teachings of cultural significance. Teachings include: making cultural products, learning cultural dances, and sharing through Knowledge Keepers. These programs support increasing awareness, self-esteem, wellness, and a sense of belonging of urban Indigenous people. 					\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$340,000
University Students' Council of the University of Western Ontario <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Squeaky Wheel Bike Co-op which provides a bike repair shop, access to tools, and builds community through satellite community events, workshops, and volunteer opportunities. In addition, funding will support increased community engagement and knowledge through awareness, workshops, events, shared skills, and ridership. 					\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$38,000
Urban Roots London <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the new Urban Roots Farm Manager/Community Developer who will facilitate on-farm volunteering, educational programs, increased farm production, and build/manage a wholesale client base. Urban Roots is a not-for-profit urban farm on recuperated land that supplies healthy, local, and accessibly priced food. 					\$29,750	\$29,750	\$29,750	\$29,750	\$119,000
Vanier Children's Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support Integrated, Neighbourhood Based, School-Aged Mental Health Services which will provide informal mental health consultations to families and staff who are participating in school aged programs at Family Centres. 					\$38,000	\$38,000	\$38,000	\$38,000	\$152,000
Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada (VON) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the School Spring Vegetable and Fruit Delivery Program which provides bulk purchased and volunteer delivered fresh food, five days a week for eight weeks to targeted schools in need. VON is the lead organization for the Ontario School Nutrition Program in the Southwest Region of Ontario. 					\$33,250	\$33,250	\$33,250	\$33,250	\$133,000
Western Education - Child and Youth Development Clinic, Western University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support subsidies so that low-income children, youth, and families can access clinical mental health assessment and intervention services. 					\$23,750	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$95,000

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WIL Counselling and Training for Employment (hosting Immploy) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Immploy Job Match program which provides London employers coordinated access to qualified immigrant talent for local job opportunities. Job Match recruits, screens, and matches immigrant job seekers to local employers seeking specialized skills. This program provides employers with centralized access to an expanded pool of qualified talent, and fosters economic prosperity. 					\$51,000	\$51,000	\$51,000	\$51,000	\$204,000
WIL Counselling and Training for Employment Sector Council (hosting Employment Sector Council) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Employment Sector Council to share employment sector information, promote best practices, and support labour market development. The Job Developers Network shares information, resources, job opportunities and potential candidates across organizations connecting employers and job seekers to collectively strengthen community-based workforce development. 					\$65,000	\$26,325	\$19,000	\$9,500	\$119,825
Youth Opportunities Unlimited <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support programs that assist youth in exiting and/or diverting homelessness. Cornerstone Housing provides basic needs, primary health care, housing support, mental health services, and employment counselling in a safe and secure home for youth living on site and a safe space for youth seeking support. 					\$109,250	\$109,250	\$109,250	\$109,250	\$437,000

LONDON COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM 2020 INNOVATION & CAPITAL FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

CAPITAL					
Organization / Project Description	BSC	SOC	GOE	CSL	Total
<p>Aeolian Hall Musical Arts Association (Building and Property Purchase)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the purchase of the Bishop Cronyn Church and land which will help grow and expand program and events across the community. The Aeolian Hall Musical Arts Association operates the El Sistema Aeolian program for children and youth to experience free, accessible after-school orchestral activities. 					\$90,000
<p>Big Brothers Big Sisters of London and Area (Program Space Renovation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the renovations to the Big Brothers Big Sisters of London and Area building in order to improve and expand the program space, kitchen, and eating area. Improvements will offer more functional space for matches to meet, to operate summer day camp programs, and conduct more trainings and community meetings. 					\$75,000
<p>Forest City Velodrome Association (Washroom and Club House Renovations)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support the Forest City Velodrome which is one of only three indoor velodromes in Canada. Funds will allow this cycling hub to utilize space better at the old London Ice House, adding a virtual training studio and renovations to the 70 year old washroom and change room facilities to increase accessibility. 					\$40,000
<p>John Howard Society of London and District (Roof Repair and Parking Lot Resurfacing)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support roof repairs and parking lot resurfacing which will improve accessibility and safety of program delivery. The John Howard Society of London and District offers social and justice related programs, helping individuals and families who are at risk of, or who have come into conflict with the law. 					\$25,000
<p>The N'Amerind (London) Friendship Centre Inc. (Roof Repair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support roof repairs to the N'Amerind Friendship Centre which will improve safe delivery of activities and increase program space. The N'Amerind Friendship Centre offers cultural relevant programs that promote physical, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual well-being of Aboriginal people and in particular Urban Aboriginal people through recreation, education, leadership, and Aboriginal heritage. 					\$22,420
<p>Reforest London - Westminster Ponds Centre for Environment & Sustainability (Washroom Expansions to Increase Building and Programming Capacity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support renovations including increasing the number of washrooms in two buildings (Huron and Bruce) to maximize program space. The Westminster Ponds Centre, is set to become one of the largest community-based environmental centres in Canada, and is expected to serve over 15,000 visitors and program participants annually. 					\$90,000

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The Arts Project London (Washroom Renovation) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support a washroom renovation that will increase accessibility capacity and use for patrons and artists. The Arts Project London supports emerging and developing theatre, visual and performing artists. The centre features a gallery, black-box theatre, multi-use workshop space, and 10 resident artist studios in a heritage building in downtown London. 					\$35,500
Youth Centre for Change (Washroom Renovation) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support upgrades and renovations to washroom facilities to accommodate the needs of 12 youth residing in two 100 year old homes. The Youth Centre for Change is a residential facility for teen male youth who have experienced trauma and abuse. 					\$52,000
INNOVATION					
Across Languages Translation and Interpretation Service (Remote Interpretation Ontario Change Agent Project) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding will support a Change Agent to implement the Remote Interpretation Ontario service. Working with community partners and service providers through training, coaching, and team sessions, front line staff across London will understand the care paths and easily be able to access different modes of interpretation at the correct time, thus transforming service delivery across several sectors. 					\$65,623