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Chair and Members Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

**Allocation of Remaining LCRN Funding**

Dear Colleagues,

As you know, London has experienced devastating impacts – both economically and socially - from the COVID-19 Global Pandemic. It is for this reason that the London Community Recovery Network (LCRN) was created with directing funding towards initiatives to aid in London’s economic and social recovery. Since the launch of LCRN, we have welcomed the re-opening of our economy thanks to advances in the prevention of COVID-19 through a multi-layered response, including and especially through mass vaccination. As London continues to experience economic growth and investment, we have good reason to be optimistic for our business sector.

Unfortunately, the pandemic has greatly exacerbated existing social challenges, including fellow Londoners who are experiencing poverty and living unsheltered. The social impacts that have been made worse by COVID-19 do not seem to be abating and recent events in our city have called necessary public attention to this dire situation.

Therefore, I am proposing the following motion:

That Civic Administration – including (but not limited to) Staff in Social and Health Development - be directed to work together with Community Partners to develop LCRN business cases with a focus on addressing London’s social recovery, especially in mitigating the effects of homelessness, precarious employment, food insecurity, etc.

Respectfully submitted,



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