

July 15, 2013

Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee

Re: Council Members' Expense Account – Funds to Support Local Youth

In accordance with part (d) of Council Policy 28(2), the "Council Members' Expense Account," I respectfully request permission to utilize \$200 from my 2013 annual expense allocation to assist a local youth toward the cost of her participation in the Children's International Summer Villages (CISV). This 11 year old youth has great potential, and this specific opportunity will contribute tremendously toward shaping her into a great and productive member of our community.

This youth has been selected to be part of the London, Ontario delegation representing CISV this summer in Spain, and has already ventured into several entrepreneurial activities in the community to raise the funds in order for her to participate. The funding I am seeking will assist her in meeting her funding goal.

CISV is a global organization. It has 60 Member Associations, with over 200 Chapters or local groups. CISV aims to educate and inspire young people to realize their full potential and to develop the skills they need to become informed, responsible and active global citizens by making a difference in their communities and the world. During the course of this venture in Spain, the Canadian delegation will present its own "National Night", where this youth and her fellow delegates will showcase all things Canadian to the entire camp. They will be presenting a slide show on the many scenic highlights of Canada's history and geography, and highlights of our Country. This is an excellent opportunity for this individual to be educated and inspired as an ambassador of peace through a program which builds inter-cultural friendship, co-operation and understanding.

Your consideration of the above request is appreciated.

Respectfully,

H.L. Usher
Councillor, Ward 12