

# **Corporation of the Township of Brock**

## **Staff Report to the Members of Council**

From: Trena DeBruijn Position: Director of Finance/Treasurer Title / Subject: Canada Community Building Fund – 2024 Annual Report Date of Report: May 28, 2025 Date of Meeting: June 23, 2025 Report No: 2025-FI-022

#### 1.0 Issue / Origin

This report is for information purposes and provides Council with an update on how the funds received from the Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) were utilized in 2024, what is in progress at year-end 2024 and year-end balance. The original funding was established to be utilized for Environmentally Sustainable Municipal Infrastructure (EMSI). In 2014, an amending agreement came into effect, which was to be in place for 10 years, reducing some of the restrictions around the use of CCBF with the outcomes more focused on community benefits and not just environmental outputs.

#### 2.0 Background

The Canada Community Building Fund ("CCBF") formerly known as the Federal Gas Tax Fund was first initiated in 2005 and became a permanent annual source of infrastructure funding for Canadian municipalities in 2011.

The agreement was updated in 2024 building on the success of the Fund in providing predictable funding to be invested in priority infrastructure projects within 18 eligible categories. The Fund remained largely the same, flowing crucial infrastructure dollars to municipal governments, and supporting the growth and vitality of communities across the province.

#### 3.0 Analysis

The Township of Brock receives CCBF funding through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario ("AMO") who administer the CCBF program for Ontario Municipalities. The funding

allocation through AMO is based on Statistics Canada census data. In 2024, the Township of Brock received \$395,108 plus a surplus payment of \$5,752.10, for a total of \$400,860.10.

This funding is allocated during our annual budget process and is used to support infrastructure needs.

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Opening Balance – Jan. 1, 2024	\$1,435,491.15
Plus: Bank Interest	\$76,208.43
Plus: 2024 Allocation and Surplus	\$400,860.10
Sub-total	\$1,912,559.68
Less Funds Utilized in 2024 for Infrastructure Needs:	
Culvert 319 – Design	\$16,978.15
Asset Management Plan Strategy and Update	\$5,464.51
Cannington Fire Station – Bay Heaters	\$6,076.29
Playground Equipment Replacement	\$80,000.00
Road Needs Assessment	\$914.82
Sunderland Town Hall Accessibility	\$80,000.00
Roof Replacement – Cannington Lawn Bowling Club	\$13,618.91
Beaverton Town Hall Accessibility Improvements	\$17,412.76
Double Surface Treatment	\$227,553.48
Road Rehabilitation	\$272,414.08
Play Structure Replacements	\$100,000.00
Balance – December 31, 2024	\$1,092,126.68
Work in Progress – Committed CCBF Funding	
Culvert 319 – Design	\$33,021.85
Culvert 335 – Design	\$30,000.00
Asset Management Plan Strategy and Update	\$56,929.97
Building Assessment and Cost Studies	\$25,000.00
Roads Needs Assessment	\$10,184.32
Backup Power Generator – Beaverton Arena	\$90,000.00
Double Surface Treatment	\$50,032.44
Culvert 335 – Concession 3 (t) West of Thorah Sideroad	\$220,000.00
Bridge 353 – Concession 10 (t) West of Simcoe Street	\$31,000.00
Bridge 301 – Concession 1 (B) east of Regional Rd 23	\$12,000.00
MacLeod Park Pedestrian Bridge	\$10,000.00
Pickleball Courts	\$20,000.00
Uncommitted Balance CCBF – December 31, 2024	\$503,958.10

The following is a summary of the CCBF for 2024:

The difference between the funding allocated to the Township through the CCBF program and the amount used to date is held in an obligatory reserve fund. These funds will be used to finance ongoing and future capital projects as identified in the capital budget and capital forecasts.

The Township reviews the infrastructure priorities annually, in conjunction with the roads needs study, the asset management plan and other capital plans and studies and allocated the CCBF funding to where it is needed the most. The Township also continues to work closely with AMO to ensure that all projects identified for CCBF funding are eligible projects.

## 4.0 Related Policies / Procedures

N/A

## 5.0 Financial / Budget Assessment

## N/A

## 5.1 Asset Management

Long-term strategic Asset Management Planning is critical to ensuring the assets are maintained in a condition that allows the Township to maintain existing service levels to the public. Municipalities require permanent funding to address the infrastructure priorities identified in their asset management plans and recognize the annual CCBF allocations as one of the few tools available to assist.

#### 6.0 Climate Change Impacts

N/A

#### 7.0 Communications

This report provides Council and the public with information on how the CCBF funding is being used and allocated on an annual basis.

#### 8.0 Conclusion

The Township will continue to identify CCBF eligible projects through the Capital budget process and follow requirements under the Federal CBF Agreement to ensure that funding continues to flow to the Township of Brock.

#### 9.0 Recommendation

That report 2025-FI-022 be received by Council for information purposes.