



Corporation of the Township of Brock

Staff Report to the Mayor and Members of Council

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Position: CAO

Title / Subject: Brock Beats Hunger Food Drive

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Date of Meeting: September 12, 2022

Report No: 2022-GG-025

1.0 Issue / Origin

During September, which is Hunger Action Month, the Township of Brock is teaming up with the other municipalities in Durham Region to support local foodbanks by collecting food and monetary donations to support the need.

2.0 Background

From September 6 to 29, the Township will have drop-off location for non-perishable food items located throughout the Township. Additional efforts for employee donations, challenges to businesses, schools, etc., will all be part of the effort to make this drive exceptional.

We are also recommending that Council consider making a corporate donation in the amount of \$1,000, payable from the Township Golf Fund. This fund would be shared between the three foodbank locations- Brock Foodbank serving Sunderland and Beaverton and the Nourish Pantry in Cannington.

3.0 Analysis

The Township Golf Fund had a healthy balance of \$28,029 before the 2021 tournament. We also feel that feeding the needs of our community members is very important and donating money from this fund to support this is appropriate.

4.0 Related Policies / Procedures

The Golf Fund Policy is currently under review. The fund has been primarily set up to support youth initiatives. Given youth are also impacted by hunger, we feel supporting this donation is worthwhile.

5.0 Financial / Budget Assessment

No budget impact.

6.0 Climate Change Impacts

None noted

7.0 Communications

The two organizations will be contacted and advised of the donation at the end of the drive.

8.0 Conclusion

With increased costs associated with inflation, more families are being impacted by the high costs associated with making ends meet. We are confident that all donations made to this drive will support local efforts and local people. We feel a donation from the golf fund will help those organizations who provide such a valuable service to our residents.

9.0 Recommendation

That Committee support the donation of \$1,000 from the Township Golf Fund

That the donation be split three ways with \$333.33 being given to the Nourish Foundation Pantry and that \$666.66 be provided to the Brock Foodbank.