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Deadline to apply to Dufferin County 2023 Community Grant Program coming up]

Dufferin County continues to accept applications for its 2023 Community Grant Program, but the deadline is coming up soon!

?Dufferin County staff are committed to making our community a safe, healthy and successful place for all, and our local not-for-profit sector plays an important role in helping us as we work to achieve this,? says Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer, Dufferin County. ?Not-for-profit and charitable organizations are invited to apply for our 2023 Community Grant Program before February 27 to receive support for the work they do to better our community.?

Local not-for-profit and charitable organizations play an instrumental role in making our community a better place for all who live, work and play in Dufferin County. The Community Grant Program aims to support them in completing projects or providing programming that benefits residents and serves priority areas.

In 2022, 17 groups received grants from the County totaling $120,000:

? Caledon Dufferin Victim Services

? Dufferin County Black Association

? Dufferin Parent Support Network

? Fiddlehead Care Farm

? First Line for Syria

? Headwaters Arts

? Headwaters Health Care (Telecheck)

? Highlands Youth for Christ

? Hockley Historic Community Hall & Church

? Shelburne Cricket Club

? Streams Community Hub

? Theatre Orangeville

? Orangeville and District Seniors Centre

? Orangeville Community Band

? Shelburne & District Horticultural Society

? Caledon Meals on Wheels

? Children's Foundation Food & Friends

The stories of these groups and what the 2022 Community Grant Program meant to them can be explored at

www.headwaterscommunities.org.

Dufferin County partners with Headwaters Communities in Action (HCIA) to administer the Community Grant Program. HCIA establishes a grant team who reviews the applications and evaluates them against the established criteria to ensure they meet the County's strategic priorities.

?Headwaters Communities in Action is pleased to partner with Dufferin County to administer the 2023 Community Grant Program,? says Jennifer Payne, executive director of Headwaters Communities in Action. ?Our local not-for-profits and charitable organizations help us shape a vibrant, sustainable and resilient community. We encourage them to apply for the 2023 Community Grant Program funding before the deadline, and look forward to reviewing submissions.?

The County has identified the following strategic priorities for the 2023 grant round:

? Climate Action

? Cultural Enhancement

? Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

? Economic Development

? Youth and Seniors Services

? Food

Completed application packages can be submitted to info@dufferincounty.ca, or dropped off at or mailed to Dufferin County, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville, L9W 2X1 with attention to ?Community Grant Program?. Applications must be submitted by 11:59 pm on February 27, 2023.

Eligibility requirements and additional information can be found at www.dufferincounty.ca.