

HRM Grants Committee
August 12, 2013

TO: Chair and Members of HRM Grants Committee

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SUBMITTED BY: _____
For Greg Keefe, Director of Finance & ICT/CFO

DATE: August 8, 2013

SUBJECT: Community Grants Program: Delinquent Reporting Update 2013

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

October 3, 2011 – Information Report submitted to the HRM Grants Committee on the status of delinquent reports or reimbursement of a grant issued under the Community Grants Program. The status is to be updated annually.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

HRM Charter (2008), Section 79 (1) (av)

BACKGROUND

Non-compliance reporting includes the following:

- The addition of grant recipients with overdue progress or final reports and grant recipients liable for the repayment of an ineligible expenditure or any unspent balance of a municipal grant;
- The removal of organizations from the delinquent listing who have submitted a complete final report or repayment;
- Identification of accounts deemed uncollectable due to dissolution of the recipient organization.

Reports, repayment, or reimbursements received after the August 12th, 2013 Grants Committee meeting will be updated in next year's status report (2014).

DISCUSSION

It is standard practice that grant recipients are responsible to submit a final report, and where required, a financial accounting. Reporting allows the funding agency to evaluate the activities funded and account for the expenditure of public funds in accordance with the terms and conditions of an award. Failure to report, or funds not used for the specified purpose, can lead to sanctions including suspended eligibility or a refund of the grant in whole or in part. All organizations that do not submit a final report by the stated deadline are sent a reminder notice.

Albeit the delinquent reporting and/or refunds identified in this report represent only a fraction of all grants issued since 2006, accounting for default is an established risk management practice and informs policy development.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

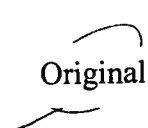
Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Table 1. Addition of Organizations to Delinquent List, as of June 28, 2013.
Table 2. Reinstatement of Eligibility in 2013: Reporting/Repayment Received.
Table 3. Addition of Organizations Deemed Uncollectable, as of June 28, 2013.
Table 4. Updated Cumulative List of Organizations Deemed Ineligible.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/commcoun/cc.html> then choose the appropriate Community Council and meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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Attachment 1

Table 1. Addition of Organizations to Delinquent List, as of June 28		
Organization	Grant	Year Issued
Bosom Buddies of Nova Scotia*	\$1,849	2011
Eastern Front Theatre*	\$5,000	2011
Kabuki Housing Cooperative*	\$8,440	2011
Plutonium Playhouse*	\$5,000	2011
Affirmative Industries	\$17,135	2012
DaPoPo Theatre Society	\$2,000	2012
Eastern Shore Forest Watch	\$1,744	2012
Habitat for Humanity	\$10,000	2012
St. Margaret's Bay Stewardship Association	\$4,000	2012
(9)	\$55,168	

*Applications were carried forward to the 2012-13 fiscal year, March 31st, 2013 deadline.

Table 2. Reinstatement of Eligibility in 2012. Reporting/Repayment Received.		
Organization	Grant	Year Issued
Hubbards & Area Business Association	\$2,000	2007
Moose River Gold Mines Museum Society	\$1,600	2008
Sable Island Preservation Trust	\$4,400	2008
St. Margaret's Bay Sailing Club	\$15,000	2008
Atlantic Housing Cooperative	\$5,000	2009
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection	\$2,500	2009
Supportive Housing for Young Mothers	\$5,000	2009
Columbus Club of Sackville	\$5,000	2010
Ink Storm Screen Printing Society	\$1,200	2010
Atlantic Filmmakers Cooperative	\$5,000	2011
MADD Canada - Atlantic Canada Chapter	\$1,354	2011
(11)	\$48,054	

Table 3. Addition of Organizations Deemed Uncollectable, as of June 28, 2013		
Organization	Grant	Year Issued
Frankie Productions Cooperative Association	\$3,300	2011

Table 4. Updated Cumulative List of Organizations Deemed Ineligible as of June 28, 2013

Organization	Grant	Year Issued
Halifax West Community Theatre Association	\$5,000	2006
Beechville Baptist Church	\$500	2007
All Women's Empowerment & Development Association - (partial report submitted)	\$5,000	2008
Halifax Peninsula Housing Cooperative**	\$4,000	2008
ABC Housing Cooperative **	\$2,000	2009
Dunbrack Housing Cooperative **	\$4,000	2009
Riverlake Rugby Club - (partial report submitted)	\$1,500	2009
Stepping Stone	\$4,000	2009
Aeolian Singers	\$2,500	2010
Halifax Camerata Singers	\$5,000	2010
Bosom Buddies of Nova Scotia	\$1,849	2011
Eastern Front Theatre	\$5,000	2011
Kabuki Housing Cooperative	\$8,440	2011
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Affirmative Industries	\$17,135	2012
DaPoPo Theatre Society	\$2,000	2012
Eastern Shore Forest Watch	\$1,744	2012
Habitat for Humanity	\$10,000	2012
St. Margaret's Bay Stewardship Association	\$4,000	2012
(19)	\$88,868	

**Submitted by a third party property management company on behalf of the Cooperative.