



Town of The Blue Mountains Annual Grants and Donations Program

Guidelines and Criteria

1. Grants are given only to not-for-profit organizations and Business Associations which, in the judgment of the Committee of the Whole, make a unique contribution to the quality of life in our community.
2. The event or activity for which funding is being sought, must be located in our community, and/or primarily provide benefits for our local residents.
3. The Grants and Donations Program funds operating projects, events or activities only, and does not fund capital projects or debt payments.
4. Organizations and Business Associations are eligible for grants provided they demonstrate managerial expertise and good financial management as measured by the Applicant's responses within this application. Good financial management will be measured by, but not limited to, such things as operating within the annual budget, lack of a deficit, internal controls and regular financial reporting.
5. A list of the Organization's Governing Body and the position each individual holds must be included with this Application, as well as signatures from two individuals that have authority to act on behalf of the Board/Organization.
6. The Committee will give consideration to events/initiatives/projects aligning with the Town's Vision: Encompassing the best of Ontario Experience. A complete community designed to last, where opportunities abound.
7. Only one application per organization will be accepted for consideration.
8. By submitting this Application, the applicant acknowledges that, to the best of their knowledge, the information provided in this application is accurate and complete and endorsed by the organization they represent.
9. The applicant's organization, within the fiscal year, must spend grant funding on the purpose for which it was awarded.

Note: Grants and Donations and Local Business Association Initiative Funding cannot be used to fund/pay off deficits.

Note: All organizations meeting the criteria will not necessarily receive a grant or the amount for which they applied. Grant allocations are dependent on individual application review and the amount of grants and donations funding contained within the approved municipal budget. Each application will be reviewed by Town Staff prior to review by the Committee of the Whole. All applicants will be notified of the results from the initial review prior to the applications being presented to the Committee of the Whole for decision.

Note: Priority will be given to applications completed and received by **Friday, January 11, 2019**. The Town's total budget for grants and donations in 2018 was \$77,500. The 2019 Proposed Budget will be reviewed in the upcoming months.

Note: Grants and donations are not given automatically from year to year. Applicants must apply annually for funding.

Please be Concise!

- Use only the space provided
- Keep your answers brief
- Do not include information other than that requested.