Municipality of the County of Inverness Pandemic Response Team Update

EMERGENCY FUNDING

November 2020

Total Applied and Approved Applications: \$72,000 Total Funding Application Currently Pending Approval: \$7,000

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GOOD FOOD RESOURCE FUND

The Municipality of the County of Inverness has been awarded \$20,000 from Community Food Centres Canada.

ATLANTIC COMPASSION FUND

The Municipality of the County of Inverness has been awarded \$5000 through the United Way of Cape Breton.

The Municipality in partnership with the Inverness Literacy Association has made a second-round application to continue working to support low income residents.

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Municipality has applied for \$10,000 and received \$7000 from the Breakfast Club of Canada toward the SchoolsPlus Hamper



Communities, Culture and Heritage





RURAL COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION

The Municipality applied for \$10,000 and was awarded\$10,000 toward Seniors Emergency Northwood Pendant Program

COMMUNITIES CULTURE & HERITAGE

Reallocation of Active Communities funding in the amount of \$5000 to support activity kits for children and the SchoolsPlus food hamper program.

SENIORS SAFETY **EMERGENCY FUNDING**

Working with the Department of Senior as a participating municipality within the Seniors Safety Program, The Municipality received \$20,000 in emergency funding towards support for seniors during COVID-19.

NEW HORIZIONS FUND

Through the request to reallocate funds from the Government of Canada's New Horizon's Funding for seniors programming. The Municipality has received \$5000 toward initiative to support seniors throughout the State of Emergency.



At the onset of COVID-19 the Recreation & Tourism Department was utilized to form the Pandemic Response Team. The PRT team staffed and maintained the Pandemic Response Helpline. In April the PRT partnered with SchoolsPlus to start the SchoolsPlus Hamper program. The program was created to replace the SchoolsPlus breakfast and healthy snack program that was suspend due to school closures. The program started in April and was extended until August 2020.

SchoolsPlus is a collaborative interagency approach supporting the whole child and their family with the school as the center of service delivery. SchoolsPlus staff act as liaisons between the school and community and advocate, coordinate, and expand services for students and families. They help families navigate the system and get the services they need.

Municipal staff (PRT) in partnership with SchoolsPlus and Strait Area Transit organized the second delivery of over 700 Emergency Food hampers to students throughout the County.

The Municipal Pandemic Response Helpline remains open: 1877-258-5550. Call volume has reduced significantly since March.

