



COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL UPDATE

MEETING DATE: March 11, 2024

COMMITTEE / BOARD NAME: Family and Community Support Services Advisory Board

PREPARED BY: Amanda Ulrickson, Manager, Family and Community Support Services

PRESENTED BY: Morgan Bryson, FCSS Advisory Board Vice Chair

TITLE: Leduc Family and Community Support Services Advisory Board Recommendation

UPDATE

As part of the annual grant cycle, City of Leduc funded organizations are required to provide a Final Report related to their previous year's allocated funds. These reports are collected and reviewed by Administration, and then presented to the Advisory Board(s). Upon satisfactory review, the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Advisory Board passes a motion for Administration to allocate the current year's funding or alternatively, upon unsatisfactory review, the organization is flagged and recommendations would be presented to Council.

The Leduc Hub Association's 2023 Final Report was reviewed on February 27, 2024, by the FCSS Advisory Board. Due to concerns about the upcoming expiration of the lease at their current location and ending of programming including day programming and overnight shelter service by April 30, 2024, the Board flagged this organization. After detailed discussion among Board members, the following motion was made and passed unanimously regarding their 2024 funding:

In consideration of the Leduc Hub Association's current update on their website as of February 23, 2024 "we will end all public services on April 30, including day programming and shelter, in accordance with the expiration of provincial funding. On June 30, we will exit our current location in accordance with the expiry of lease", the FCSS Advisory Board recommends providing the Leduc Hub Association with \$24,875 of their allocated 2024 funding at present time, with the option to return to Council and request the remainder of their budgeted 2024 funding should they continue providing services past June 2024.

The dollar amount recommended is half of the total funding traditionally allocated to the Leduc Hub Association. The Board feels that this reduced amount honors the work already done for the 2024 overnight shelter season and supports any transition or outreach work that may need to take place between April and June should the above occur. The Advisory Board is also hopeful that the Hub will be successful in maintaining service and not ending programming April 30. To reflect that, the Board was purposeful in leaving the option for the Hub to come back to Council to request the remainder of funding should this transpire.

RECOMMENDATION

The FCSS Advisory Board recommends:

That Council approves that the Leduc Hub Association receive \$24,875 of their 2024 Ongoing Community Support funding, with the option to return to Council and request the remainder of their budgeted 2024 funding should they continue providing services past June 2024.

ATTACHMENTS - None