

Recommendation to Revise the Social Framework Community Grants Policy SER-005-001**Report Purpose**

To bring forward to Council recommendations for minor revisions to the Social Framework Community Grants Policy.

Recommendation

THAT revised policy SER-005-001 Social Framework Community Grants, as set out in enclosure 1 of the July 5, 2022 Family and Community Services report, be approved.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals

Goal 1 - Build strong communities to support the diverse needs of residents

Report

- The Social Framework Community Grants program is guided by the Social Framework Community Grants Policy SER-005-001.
- The policy was most recently revised on June 19, 2018 to align with the Strathcona County Social Framework.
- The policy has been successfully implemented for four years, and would benefit from minor adjustments to update the policy.
- Recommended revisions to the policy are primarily to update language and eligibility criteria to more clearly reflect how the policy is administered.
- No substantive changes are proposed.
- The three key recommended changes are:
 1. Three funding streams have been revised to more clearly identify the four funding streams available. *Community Seed funding* is now represented as two community funding streams: **Community connection funding** and **Community change funding**. These two community funding streams were previously administered under the Community Seed funding. This change more clearly presents funding options to applicants.
 2. Adjustment in the funding term for Collaboration funding, from *two to three years* to **one to three years**, providing flexibility for organizations to work together on a collaborative initiative. This change was suggested by grant recipient agencies and was recommended by the Social Framework Community Grants Advisory Committee.
 3. Remove references to the administrative Social Framework Community Grants Guidelines as that information is now contained in the policy.
- Enclosure 2 provides an overview of proposed changes to the policy.

Council and Committee History

June 19, 2018 Council approved revisions to the Social Framework Community Grants Policy SER-005-001, Motion 2018/246

Other Impacts

Policy: Social Framework Community Grants Policy SER-005-001

Legislative/Legal: n/a

Financial/Budget: n/a

Interdepartmental: n/a

Master Plan/Framework: Social Framework

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Enclosures

- 1 Social Framework Community Grants Policy - Revised
- 2 Revisions to the Social Framework Community Grants Policy
Presentation
- 3 Social Framework Community Grants Policy - Current