

INFORMATION NOTE

Title: Affordable Housing, City of St John's

Date of Meeting: September 24, 2019

Report To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of Council

Councillor & Role: Councillor Deanne Stapleton

Issue: Upcoming Events

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

Affordable Housing staff Simone Lilly will speak about the following:

1. Event: Information session on Housing Need in St. John's and new research and practices to respond to housing trends. This event is taking place on Oct 4th and is hosted by the City of St. John's in partnership with CMHC.

Date: Tuesday October 4th, 2019

Registration/Coffee: 8:45am

Information Sessions: 9am-11:30am

Location: Foran Greene Room, 4th Floor - St. John's City Hall City Hall

2. Grant Opportunity: The Housing Catalyst Grant will be accepting applications as of October. We are hoping to broaden the reach of this grant and the range of applications we receive.

The Housing Catalyst Fund allows the City to be a catalyst for practical and collaborative projects that produce tangible housing solutions. The City's role through this fund is to work collaboratively with community groups and other stakeholders (builders, developers, etc.) to facilitate and plan housing solutions that will enhance the quality of life for individuals and families and build a healthier community.

To be considered, projects must be solution focused and action oriented and must be in line with the City's Affordable Housing Strategy 2019-2028.

Applicants can apply for up to \$10,000 per project. The application deadline is the last Friday in November. Then application can be found here: <http://www.stjohns.ca/forms/housing-catalyst-fund-application>

Key Considerations/Implications:

1. Budget/Financial Implications-N/A
2. Partners or Other Stakeholders -N/A
3. Alignment with Strategic Directions/Adopted Plans

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- A Connected City- A city where people feel connected, have a sense of belonging, and are actively engaged in community life
- An Effective City- A City that performs effectively and delivers results

4. Legal or Policy Implications-N/A

5. Privacy Implications: N/A

6. Engagement and Communications Considerations- N/A

7. Human Resource Implications: N/A

8. Procurement Implications: N/A

9. Information Technology Implications: N/A

10. Other Implications: N/A

Conclusion/Next Steps:

Question and answer period regarding event discussed

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Approved by/Date:

Attachments: