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Halifax Regional Police Foundation Update for BoPC

Monday, September 16, 2019

Background & history

- On October 7, 2013 it was proposed at a meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners (BoPC) that a Halifax Regional Police Foundation (HRPF) be set-up.
- On March 21, 2017 the motion was placed before Regional Council and passed unanimously.
- An agreement for the HRPF between Community Foundation of Nova Scotia Society and HRM, on behalf of the HRP, was signed on July 10, 2017. In early 2018, work was initiated to develop a rollout plan and strategic framework for HRPF.



Foundation materials

The following materials were prepared:

- One-pager Mission, Vision, Values document
- Terms of Reference for Inaugural Board of Governors (Draft)
- Prospective donor list
- Fundraising letter signed by Chief
- Social media campaign #NotNewJustMore
- HRPF pop-up banner
- HRPF rack card





Public launch

- On **March 4, 2019** HRP hosted a public launch event that featured HRPF's first significant donation, inaugural grant and long-term mandate of the Foundation.
- Well-known Halifax philanthropists, Mickey MacDonald & Colin MacDonald, contributed **\$100,000 to the HRPF**.
- Dartmouth-based Take Action Society was the first recipient of an **HRPF grant of \$5,000**.





HRPF Mission & vision

- **Mission:** Encourage positive change through enhanced community support for safer, stronger and more inclusive communities.
- Vision: To be a recognized charitable organization dedicated to enhancing safety and inclusion through meaningful partnerships and investments in youth and community capacity building.





Strategic priorities

- Empowering youth
- Inclusion and collaborative impact
- Capacity-building



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Board of Governors

- The HRPF Board of Governors plays a leadership role in ensuring proper governance, growth, impact and profile of the HRPF.
- In addition to the oversight and growth of the HRPF operation fund, the annual goal of the Board will be to add an endowment of \$50,000 a year.
- First Board meeting took place on August 22 and the next one will be held in late November.





Board Terms of Reference

- Inaugural Governors are appointed for a three-year term by the Chief of Police in consultation with other stakeholders. The three-year term may be renewed for additional years up to three additional years.
- The Board will consist of: Chief of Police, Past Chief of Police, a BoPC representative, HRM Public Safety Advisor, 4 community members at large, 2 ex-officio members.
- Board recruitment is currently ongoing, and required competencies will be considered.





Funds & grants

- The HRPF fund currently has a balance of just over **\$150,000** as of August 2019.
- Grants, as determined by the Board of Governors, will be granted for causes or nonprofit organizations that represent HRPF's core values and mission.





Next steps

- Finalize Board of Governors Terms of Reference
- Board education on HRPF financial framework
- Complete Board recruitment to ensure proper governance, skill set and capacity to advance HRPF's work
- Create a framework for accepting and evaluating grant applications, which aligns with the strategic priorities
- Create a plan for fundraising: Current proposals include an annual gala, direct asks by Board members, employee giving opportunities like payroll deduction







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