



#### 2018-19 HRM COMMUNITY GRANTS

HRM Grants Committee has made its recommendations to Regional Council for its 2018-19 Community Capital Grants Program. This year we have approved 55 awards for a combined total of \$454,313.00. To see the full report with an explanation of each applicant's request and about those others that were declined, then please go to our web-page link at: [www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/regional-council/180619rc1441.pdf](http://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/regional-council/180619rc1441.pdf)

Here's the list of grants awarded to local groups:

- **Lawrencetown Sew-ciety Guild**  
\$800 grant to purchase of sewing equipment
- **Coastal Voices Men's Choir—Eastern Shore**  
\$900 grant for the purchase of music equipment
- **Harbour Lites Seniors Club—Musq. Harbour**  
\$1,400 grant to purchase a snow-blower, microwave oven, and wheeled kitchen cart for their senior citizens centre
- **Old School Gathering Place—Musq. Harbour**  
\$1,800 grant fund electrical upgrades.
- **Seaforth Community Hall Society**  
\$5,000 grant to buy and install acoustic ceiling panels
- **Lake Charlotte & Area Heritage Society**  
\$8,000 grant for electrical upgrades and screen doors for the Memory Lane Clam Factory building
- **Friends of St. James United Church Heritage Society—Spry Bay**  
\$10,000 grant towards roof repairs to the St. James United Church Heritage Hall Museum
- **North Ship Harbour Community Hall Auxiliary**  
\$10,500 grant to purchase and install a propane generator for an EMO Comfort Centre
- **Musquodoboit Harbour & District Lions Club**  
\$14,000 grant to purchase and install a propane generator an EMO Community Comfort Centre
- **Musquodoboit Harbour Heritage Society**  
\$14,748 grant to power wash, scrape, re-shingle, paint and insulate the exterior of the Railway Museum
- **Royal Canadian Legion #161—Gaetz Brook**  
\$17,000 grant towards washroom upgrades for an EMO Community Comfort Centre
- **MusGo Rider Cooperative Limited—Musquodoboit Harbour—Eastern Shore**  
\$18,000 grant to purchase of a replacement transit passenger van
- **MusGo Rider Cooperative Limited – Musquodoboit Valley-Sheet Harbour**  
\$18,000 grant to purchase a new passenger van
- **Scouts Canada Camp Harris—Mineville**  
\$25,000 grant towards expansion of the campground with construction of two outdoor cooking/activity shelters
- **Akoma Holdings Incorporated—Westphal**  
\$25,000 grant towards water and sewer infrastructure for the Old Home Restoration Project

#### 2018-19 FESTIVALS & EVENTS GRANTS

The HRM Grants Committee has made its recommendations to Regional Council for the 2018-19 Community Festivals & Events Program. The Committee approved 24 Event Grants for a total of \$24,000. Furthermore, there are some reoccurring festivals that receive multi-year grants. In total; \$434,500 will be given towards the various community's festivals and events throughout HRM. To see the full report with an explanation of each applicant's request and about those applications that were declined, then please go to this web-page link at: [www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/regional-council/180619rc1443.pdf](http://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/regional-council/180619rc1443.pdf)

Here's the list of grants awarded to local groups:

- **Eastern Shore "Fam-Fest" Family Festival:**  
August 18th — \$750
- **Lake Echo Lions Community Boil & Blast:**  
September 29th — \$1,000
- **Taste of East Preston:** Canada Day — \$1,000
- **Peace Talk Peace Gathering:** North Preston & Halifax, August 13th & 14th — \$1,000
- **North Preston Days:** July 21st & 22nd — \$5,500

#### MORE WEEKLY ORGANIC COLLECTION



Once again there will be weekly Green Bin organic cart collection throughout the entire municipality for the summer months of July, August and now up until the end of September. To clarify what should go into your cart, go to: [www.halifax.ca/home-property/garbage-recycling-green-cart/green-carts-leaf-yard-material](http://www.halifax.ca/home-property/garbage-recycling-green-cart/green-carts-leaf-yard-material) or call 311 for more details.

#### AREA RATES UPDATE—UNDER REVIEW

HRM Council has directed staff to begin a broad consultation with the various community associations, that have an area rate. This is to consider an update and to combine the current HRM Recreation Area Rate Policy and Interim Area Rates Guidelines into one policy to create a New Area Rate Administrative Order for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. With respect to the Musquodoboit Harbour Area Common Rate, it will remain in existence to allow sufficient time to give notice that there will only be one year for a community group to establish itself as the lead agency to undertake public consultations, develop guidelines and create a business case and purpose for the continuance of this rate, and, if this consultation does not occur, then this area rate will not be renewed in 2019-20. For more details about the various area rates throughout HRM, go to: [www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/regional-council/180619rc1416.pdf](http://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/regional-council/180619rc1416.pdf)



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#### NEW BMX BIKE DIRT TRACK PARK



Many thanks to the funders and volunteers of the West Chezzetcook —Grand Desert Recreation Society for their completion of a new non-motorized BMX—Mountain Bike Dirt Track Park at the Ste Therese Community Centre, on Conrod Road in Grand Desert. It officially opened on Father's Day 2018. This project came about by the encouragement and commitment of local resident, David Croft. Also on that day, HRM's Try-A-Ride (TAR) was there offering its array of free programs for youth of all ages. TAR travels throughout the municipality bringing bikes, skateboards and scooters to teach people how to safely ride and maintain the equipment, as well as teach the necessary skills to safely and more confidently participate in those types of activities. For more information, contact [tar@halifax.ca](mailto:tar@halifax.ca) or call 902-465-5267. You can find their schedule online at: [www.halifax.ca/recreation/programs-activities/rec-van-try-a-ride](http://www.halifax.ca/recreation/programs-activities/rec-van-try-a-ride). If they are available, they could come out to your neighborhood!

#### TRY OUT A STAND-UP PADDLE BOARD

For the months of July and August, HRM will have free stand up paddle boards available for children and youth at some of its supervised beaches. Lifejackets are mandatory and are provided on site. Locally, these Stand-Up Paddle boards are available at Malay Falls & Lake Echo.

#### SUPERVISED BEACHES & WATER QUALITY

This summer, HRM will be providing water quality monitoring at its supervised beaches at various locations throughout the municipality.

There will be qualified life-guards on duty at these local locations:

- Orenda Beach—Lake Echo;
- Kinap Beach—West Porters Lake;
- Petpeswick Lake Beach Park on Pleasant Drive—Gaetz Brook
- Webber's Beach—Lake Charlotte; and at
- Malay Falls—Sheet Harbour

For up-to-date information on hours of supervision and latest water quality results, go to: [www.halifax.ca/recreation/programs-activities/swimming/supervised-beaches-outdoor-pools-splash-pads](http://www.halifax.ca/recreation/programs-activities/swimming/supervised-beaches-outdoor-pools-splash-pads)

Be advised that Government Wharf Park in West Petpeswick/Musquodoboit Harbour is no longer supervised, however, its water testing will continue.



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