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Item No. 16.1

Request for Council's Consideration			
√ □	Included on Agenda (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)	Added Item (Submitted to Municipa Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)	□ Request from the Floor
Date of Council Meeting: Regional Council Meeting, Tuesday, August 22, 2023			
Subject: Municipal financial support to the 2023 Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness Conference			
Motion for Council to Consider: That Regional Council direct staff to prepare a report looking at options for providing municipal financial support to the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness (CAEH) for their 2023 Conference taking place in Halifax November 8-10, 2023.			
Reason: The CAEH is a national charitable organization comprised of a network of individuals, organizations, and communities working to end homelessness in Canada. Since 2013 the CAEH has hosted an annual conference focused on providing policymakers, funders, researchers, community leaders and front-line workers with information and training needed to advance the work of ending homelessness. This year's conference is taking place in Halifax, bringing more than 1500 delegates to our city to engage in sessions focused on indigenous homelessness, chronic, veteran and youth homelessness, lived experience, homelessness for women and 2SLQBTQ+, and unsheltered homelessness. This year's Host Committee is led by Sara Napier of United Way Halifax and Pam Glode-Desrochers of the Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre.			
Past host cities have contributed between \$25,000-\$100,000 to the conference. CAEH have requested \$50,000 from HRM to help make the event as inclusive and accessible as possible for delegates that include front-line workers in the homeless serving-sector who often have limited budgets for professional development. Funding from HRM would also go directly towards providing bursaries and discounts for local indigenous and African Nova Scotian delegates and organizations.			
Outcome Sought:			
Staff report.			
Mayor Mike Savage			