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#	Applicant	Project Stream	Funding Requested To	Request	Recommendation	Analysis
1	Alzheimer Society of York Region	Community	Raise awareness about Alzheimer's disease and other dementias by hosting a Finding Your Way event during World Alzheimer's Month in Sept 2020.	\$5,000	\$2,475	Project demonstrates community responsiveness and will improve the quality of life for Richmond Hill Residents. Only 50% of the project budget is eligible for funding.
2	Blue Dot Richmond Hill	Community	Set up information booths to provide information about single use plastics and proper recycling.	\$2,500	\$0	Project proposal did not demonstrate financial need and lacked sufficient detail on the delivery of the project.
3	Diabetes Canada	Community	Send four Richmond Hill children and youth aged 7-17 affected by type 1 daibetes to Diabetes Canada's Camp Huronda	\$2,500	\$0	Proposal does not demonstrate benefit to Richmond Hill and is ineligible because it is not a one time project.
4	Gordon Chan	Community	Organize and manage a badminton club effectively in order to encourage RH residents to play badminton all year round.	\$5,000	\$0	Funding request is for day to day core operating expenses and deficit reduction and therefore is not eligible.
5	Home on the Hill Supportive Housing	Community	Formation of a peer support, recreation group for those with serious mental illness	\$5,000	\$2,750	Project will benefit a small number of community members, but the need is demonstrated, and the model has been proved successful in other communities.
6	Iranian Canadian Teens Club (ICTC)	Community	"Making a Better You" project supporting the creation of a healthier lifestyle through changing habits by healthy food choices.	\$5,000	\$3,000	Project demonstrates community responsiveness by providing an opportunity for youth and their parents to learn new skills and promotes healthy eating.
7	Jewish Russian Speaking Community of Toronto	Community	An event dedicated to celebrate our appreciation to the JRCC members and volunteers living in Richmond Hill.	\$5,000	\$0	Project proposal does not demonstrate financial need.
8	Life Transformation Institute	Community	Publishing a book about Holistic Health and hosting Life Talks: A One Day Conference "Healthy Aging".	\$5,000	\$0	Project proposal did not cleary demonstrate the benefit to Richmond Hill and the budget does not reflect the scope of the project.
9	Mosaic Interfaith Out of the Cold	Community	Purchase medical supplies and provide healthcare services to homeless and low- income individuals in southern York Region	\$3,000	\$0	Proposal is not eligible as funding request is for day to day core operating expenses and has also received funding in the past.
10	Project 99A	Community	An event to celebrate International Friendship Day, including a meet and greet with authors and illustators and engage in a variety of family friendly literacy oriented activities.	\$2,094	\$2,095.00	Project demonstrates a community connection and responsiveness by promoting literacy.
11	Project Autism - York Region	Community	Creation of a STEM Club for children and youth with autism and other disabilities.	\$5,000	\$0	Proposal does not meet the eligible project expenses as the majority of the request is for capital equipment.
12	York Region Indian Seniors Club (YRISC)	Community	Yoga classes for seniors, led by a trained yoga teacher	\$4,000	\$1,750	Project responds to a community need for safe, enjoyable programming. Not all components of the project are eligible for funding.
13	York Region Senior Tamil Centre	Community	Provide a program for low income seniors so they can get-together. Program consists of eight informative seminars from April - November 2020.	\$3,148	\$0	Project proposal did not demonstrate community need and the project budget does not reflect the scope of the project.
	Total Community Grants			\$52,242	\$12,070	
14	Art in Migration	Cultural (Org)	Present a multi-disciplinary floating concert at Lake Wilcox Park.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Project demonstrates artistic merit and demonstrates community connection and responsiveness by providing a unique opportunity in Oak Ridges.

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15	Bridge to Artists	Cultural (Org)	Produce a multi-dimensional story-telling production where Richmond Hill dancers will learn from trained professional dancers.	\$5,000	\$2,500	Project provides an interesting link between amatuer and professional dancers and community engagement through the performance.
16	Burr House Spinners and Weavers Guild	Cultural (Org)	Plan and deliver the Burr House and Guild Hall Open House to commemorate 40 plus years as incorporated organizations.	\$500	\$500	Project promotes Richmond Hill heritage, history of the Burr House and engages the community in a milestone anniversary celebration.
17	CHATS-Community & Home Assistance to	Cultural (Org)	Plan and deliver CHATS' 15th annual Iranian Seniors' Nowruz Celebration	\$5,000	\$0	Project proposal does not demonstrate community responsiveness or finanical need.
18	Chorus York	Cultural (Org)	Perform three choral programs of diverse music, presented at five concert venues.	\$5,000	\$2,000	Project demonstrates artistic merit and offers a unique artistic experience in Richmond Hill. Some components of the project are considered operating expenses and therefore not eligible for full funding.
19	High Notes Avante Productions Inc	Cultural (Org)	Develop the High Notes Avante Choir with the specific purpose of bringing people with mental illness together to make music.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Project demonstrates community responsiveness by engaging emerging artists and breaking down the stigma of mental illness.
20	Jessica Leung	Cultural (Ind)	Record a full-length album of original songs that will be shared with Richmond Hill students through educational programming.	\$5,000	\$2,500	Project demonstrates artistic merit, offers a unique artistic experience in Richmond Hill and supports an emerging artist.
21	Kindred Spirits Orchestra	Cultural (Org)	Present a 3-concert series at the Richmond Hill Centre featuring Christina Petrowska-Quilico, Spanish pianist Ludmil Angelov as well as the Russian-Israeli pianist Dr. Michael Berkovsky.	\$5,000	\$2,500	Project demonstrates artistic merit and will bring unique musical performances to Richmond Hill.
22	Mark Pezzelato	Cultural (Ind)	Create a new children's album called Hug The Ones You Love.	\$4,250	\$0	Project proposal lacked sufficient details to demonstrate benefit to Richmond Hill or community need. Budget lacked sufficient details to demonstrate financial need.
23	Michelle Zikovitz	Cultural (Ind)	Plan and deliver the first annual Kids National Basketry Day in Richmond Hill.	\$750	\$750	Project promotes a unique artistic discipline and provides an opportunity for intergenerational connections.
24	NEW STEP FOR YOU-ARTS, ENTERTAINME	Cultural (Org)	Create a new exhibit wing on the Trail of Hope project that features filmed interviews of first generation immigrants projected inside the structure.	\$5,000	\$0	Project proposal lacked sufficient details to demonstrate benefit to Richmond Hill or community need for the project.
25	O.E.I. Onsite Education Inc.	Cultural (Org)	Host a one-day theatre extravaganza where proceeds will go to a local community theatre group.	\$5,000	\$0	Project is seen as fundraising for a local organization and therefore is not eligible for funding.
26	Opera York	Cultural (Org)	Present a stage production of the Opera Madama Butterfly which will be presented in fall 2020 in two performances.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Project demonstrates community connectiveness through partnerships and provides a unique artistic opportunity for the community.
27	The Richmond Hill Arts Council	Community	To introduce the RH community to both Cultural Holiday Traditions and Original Artisans and Performers from the community.	\$5,000	\$0	Project proposal lacks sufficient detail to demonstrate community need for the project and proposed budget does not reflect the scope of the event.
28	Richmond Hill Concert Band	Cultural (Org)	Plan and deliver a 5 week concert band series at Oak Ridges Community Centre Terrace that focuses on music education for children and entertaining families.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Project demonstrates artistic merit, community responsiveness and offeres a unique artistic experience for children and families in Richmond Hill.
29	Richmond Hill Philharmonic Orchestra	Cultural (Org)	Present Promenade; a festive concert program featuring music from Commonwealth countries and aboriginal traditions.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Project demonstrates community responsiveness, develops partnerships and provides a unique musical experience for the community.

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30	Richmond Hill United Church	Cultural (Org)	Plan and deliver a series of three concerts featuring local artists and intercultural performances.	\$3,000	\$3,000	Project demonstrates a creative use of a cultural space and supports community connectivity through intercultural performances. Project does not include promotion and / or required adherence to a faith, so meets the eligibility requirements.
31	Robin Hesse	Cultural (Ind)	Paint murals on 2 concrete storage bunkers in Richmond Hill parks.	\$4,000	\$4,000	Project demonstrates artistic merit and a unique community engagement experience in the arts.
32	Sean Cisterna	Cultural (Ind)	Develop a film screenplay based on the book Long Ride Home.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Project demonstrates a creativity and support for and enhancement of the City's image by profiling a local cultural success story.
33	Shadowpath Theatre Productions	Cultural (Org)	Develop a new program called Apartmental, featuring performing arts programming for the Richmond Hill community in apartments.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Project demonstrates community responsiveness by engaging youth at risk, develops partnerships and provides a unique theatrical experience for the community.
34	Summer Guitar Orchestra	Cultural (Org)	Plan and deliver a guitar concert to promote the enjoyment of classical music using guitar as the media.	\$5,000	\$0	Proposal lacked sufficient details to demonstrate benefit to Richmond Hill or community need for the project.

Total Cultural Grants	\$92,500	\$52,750	
Total Funds Requested	\$144,742		
Total Funds Recommended:		\$64,820	
Total Funds Available	\$65,000	\$65,000	
Difference	\$79,742	\$180	
Total Funds Recommended:		\$64,820	

Total Community Grants = 13
Total Cultural Grants = 21