



February 4th, 2016

RE- Policy for the recognition and support of community-based organizations

Dear Madam, Sir,

The Municipality of Pontiac has recently adopted a policy on the recognition and support of community-based organizations. This policy was created to provide a management tool for the municipal council to better define the support and assistance allocated to organizations operating in different fields within the municipality's jurisdiction: sports and recreation, culture, social and community development.

In support of this policy initiative, the municipal council has increased the available budget to \$50,000.00 to better assist the community and volunteer associations that contribute to the well-being of Pontiac residents and community.

We invite you to review the terms and components of the enclosed policy.

As new eligibility criteria will be applied with regards to the policy, we ask you to please fill out the new application forms in order to submit a request for the current year. **The deadline to return the completed forms to the municipality is March 4th 2016.**

The policy and application process provide the municipal council with clearer guidelines to promote a more effective, equitable and transparent analysis of claims. However, please note that this is a transition period during which time we will demonstrate flexibility and remain available to assist you in completing the application process.

Our intent is that the new policy and procedures allow for further development of community initiatives and better support of community and citizen participation, which are an integral part of the quality of life within the municipality.

Please note that I am available should you have any questions or require assistance in completing your request. I can be contacted by phone, email or in person (by appointment only).

Thank you for your interest in the Municipality of Pontiac.

Yours truly,

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