



The Regional Municipality of York Police Service Board

Public Board Meeting
March 26, 2025
For Information

Report of the Executive Director

Public Relations Reserve Fund - Annual Report

1. Recommendation

That the Board receive this report in compliance with its Public Relations Reserve Fund Policy No. 01/23.

2. Purpose

Sections 258(2) and 259(3) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act* give police service boards the authority to use the proceeds from the sale of unclaimed personal property and money found and seized by the police service for any purpose that it considers in the public interest. Pursuant to its statutory authority, the Board established the Public Relations Reserve Fund.

Section 9 of the Board's policy, which governs fund administration, requires that the Executive Director monitor expenditures and report semi-annually all activity in the Public Relations Reserve Fund, including revenue, disbursements and balance.

The Board's Public Relations Fund policy was amended in October 2023 in consultation with the Public Relations Fund Committee. Requests for funding are now accepted and considered four times a year in accordance with the application deadlines in the [Public Relations Reserve Fund Policy No. 01/23](#).

3. Background

The Board receives requests from community groups and organizations in need of financial support in accordance with Policy 01/23. The Executive Director reviews each request to ensure they meet the eligibility criteria and funding guidelines as set out in the policy.

Monies from the funds are used to support and encourage policing and justice initiatives, promote positive community partnerships and enrich the quality of life in York Region.

4. Status of Public Relations Fund

The Board's 2024 budget included a total of \$50,000 for public relations. The Board's Public Relations Reserve Fund on January 1, 2024 was **\$193,637** and the fund balance as of December 31, 2024 was **\$188,398**.

DISBURSEMENTS

From January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, the Board approved the following disbursements from its Public Relations Reserve Fund:

ORGANIZATIONS	2024
360kids Support Services	\$10,000
Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG)	\$10,000
Clarico Place of York Region	\$15,000
Crime Stoppers of York Region	\$10,000
Honourarium payments – Anti-Black Racism Committee	\$1,200
Holiday Heroes	\$25,000
Mothers Against Drunk Driving – York Region Chapter	\$5,000
Ontario Association of Police Services	\$9,301
Ontario Senior Officers Police Association Conference	\$15,000
Region in Rhythm	\$10,000
Ride to Remember	\$10,000
Run to Remember	\$10,000
Special Olympics- Polar Bear Plunge	\$5,000
Wounded Warriors Canada	\$5,000
Yellow Brick House	\$10,000
York Regional Police Appreciation Night	\$30,000
York Regional Police Golf Tournament	\$10,000
York Regional Police Pride We Belong Breakfast	\$5,000
York Regional Police Employee Appreciation Holiday Lunches	\$37,300
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$232,801

REVENUES

From January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, deposits credited to the Public Relations Reserve Fund include:

Revenues	2024
Monies Forfeited to the Board	\$166,048
Property Auction (net of Auction fees)	\$54,440
Interest	\$7,074

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Monies Forfeited to the Board	\$166,048
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$227,562

Net Change	2024
Total Revenue	\$227,562
Total Disbursements	\$232,801
Net Change (Revenue less Disbursement)	(\$5,238)

5. Local Impact

Provided funding is in keeping with the Board’s desire to support initiatives that increase community safety and support the diverse needs of York Region’s communities.

6. Financial Considerations

The financial implications of this report are associated with the funding requests.

7. Conclusion

This report is submitted in compliance with Section 9 of the Board’s Public Relations Reserve Fund Policy and indicates a fund balance on December 31, 2024 of \$187,699. Reporting for 2025 has not begun, and should be available mid-April.

For more information on this report, please contact psb@yrp.ca. Alternative formats or communication supports are available upon request.

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