

The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

Public Board Meeting
September 22, 2021

Report of the Executive Director

Public Relations Reserve Fund Request for Funding

1. Recommendation

1. That the Board approve an expenditure of \$5,000 from the Board's Public Relation Fund in support of Canadian Association of Police Governance.

2. Summary

Sections 132 (2) and 133 (3) of the *Police Services Act* give Police Services 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 Police Services Board established the Public Relations Reserve Fund to be used in accordance with the Board policy. The Board policy outlines how these funds are to be used.

Any unused monies in the fund will be carried forward in the Police Services Board Operating Budget to the next fiscal year.

The closing balance of the reserve fund on July 31, 2021 was \$182,388.

3. Background

The Board receives requests from community groups and organizations in need of financial support. 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. Funding Proposal

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF POLICE GOVERNANCE (CAPG)

The Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) is the only national organization and national voice for police governance in Canada and represents 75% of municipalities. The CAPG is seeking sponsorship for its 32nd Annual Conference which will be held virtually from September 28th – 30th, 2021. The theme for this year is “Reimagining Community Safety: Inspiring Change”.

The Board is a long-standing supporter of the CAPG conference and has also hosted the conference in York Region in 2015. In keeping with previous Board sponsorship levels, it is recommended that the Board support the Champion sponsorship level in the amount of \$5,000. This level of sponsorship includes 10 complimentary registrations to the 2021 CAPG conference.

External link to [CAPG 2021 Sponsorship Opportunities](#).

5. Financial

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

6. Conclusion

The Board has made investments from its Public Relations Fund in recent years in accordance with its Public Relations Reserve Fund policy. The funds help support community safety initiatives and help build partnerships with policing and community stakeholders.

Approved for Submission: Mafalda Avellino
Executive Director

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