City of Mississauga Corporate Report



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To:	Chair and Members of General Committee	
From:	Geoff Wright, P.Eng, MBA, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer	Meeting date: April 9, 2025

Subject

2024 Annual Grants Report

Recommendation

That the report dated March 4, 2025, entitled '2024 Annual Grants Report' from the City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer be received.

Executive Summary

- In 2024, the City of Mississauga submitted 65 grant applications and has received approval for 23 applications with funding of \$114.43 million
- As of January 31, 2025, the Finance Division is actively managing 14 previously approved grant agreements with a total funding value of \$822.43 million.
- In 2025, as of January 31, the City has submitted 10 grant applications, totaling \$88.3 million in requested funding

Background

The City of Mississauga actively seeks grant funding to support the development, delivery, and sustainability of critical City infrastructure, programs, and services. By leveraging external funding, the City minimizes the financial burden on taxpayers while addressing key priorities such as housing, transportation, and climate resilience. These efforts are guided by the Grant Funding Management Policy 04-01-10 and the Delegated Authority By-law 0198-2014, ensuring a coordinated and accountable approach.

The Finance Division oversees the grant application process, working closely with departments to secure funding that enhances services and infrastructure, all while ensuring fiscal responsibility. This report provides an overview of the City's ongoing efforts to secure grant funding within the 2024 calendar year.

Comments

Grant funding is an essential tool for municipalities to deliver strategic priorities, and opportunities are available through federal, provincial, and local government agencies, as well as private organizations.

Guided by the Grant Funding Management Policy 04-01-10, and the Delegated Authority By-law 0198-2014, the Finance Division works collaboratively with departmental staff to identify and pursue funding opportunities. This proactive approach ensures that the City maximizes its potential for external funding. Despite challenges such as short submission timelines requiring rapid coordination and preparation, evolving or extensive funding criteria, complex application processes, and highly competitive programs, the City continues to secure significant investments to support critical infrastructure and programs.

2024 Grant Applications Overview

In 2024, the City of Mississauga submitted 65 grant applications as detailed in Appendix 1 and has received approval of \$114.43 million.

	Approved		Pending		Declined	
Funder Level	Submissions	\$	Submissions	\$	Submissions	\$
Federal	8	\$112.78M	14	\$5.78M	8	\$0.07M
Provincial	7	\$1.46M	5	\$31.18M	6	\$31.07M
Other (Non- Government)	9	\$0.19M	5	\$2.44M	3	\$0.27M
Total	24	\$114.43M	24	\$39.40M	17	\$31.42M

Note:

1. Exclusions: This data does not include funding from the Canada Community Building Fund (formerly FGT) or Provincial Gas Tax as annual grant applications are not required for these programs.

As of January 31, 2025:

- 23 applications have been approved, totaling \$2.01 million in grant funding.
- 1 Expression of Interest provided an allocation of \$112.42 million through the Canada Public Transit Fund Baseline Funding Stream.
- 24 applications submitted in 2024, requesting a total of \$39.40 million are pending a decision
- 17 applications requesting a total of \$31.42 million were declined.
 - This decline amount is primarily attributed to one provincial application for \$30.93 million submitted to the Ministry of Infrastructure's Housing-Enabling Water Systems

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Fund – Intake 2, to support the Reconstruction of Little Etobicoke Creek (Dixie-Dundas Flood Mitigation).

Key 2024 Application Highlights

- Federal
 - Canada Public Transit Fund Baseline Funding Stream: The City received a 10-year allocation of \$112.42 million after successfully submitting an Expression of Interest. The allocation formula considered transit ridership and population. This funding will provide stable and predictable support to advance key improvements in Mississauga's transit system.
- Provincial
 - Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program Housing Enabling Core-Servicing Stream: Funding of \$20 million was requested for the Ninth Line Road Widening – Eglinton Avenue West to Derry Road West project. The application is pending a decision.
 - Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (Stream 2 New Builds): Funding of \$10 million was requested for the Glenforest Youth Hub. The application is pending a decision.

Grant Management Update

As of January 31, 2025, the Finance Division is actively managing 14 previously approved (2019-2023) grant agreements with a total funding value of \$822.43 million. These agreements include key programs such as:

- Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP)
- Zero Emission Transit Fund
- Active Transportation Fund
- Housing Accelerator Fund
- Strategic Priorities Infrastructure Fund

Details of active grants submitted between 2019 and 2023 are included in Appendix 2.

Grant management activities include agreement oversight, reporting, claim submissions, and ongoing communications with funding agencies.

2025 Grant Applications

As of January 31, 2025, the City has submitted 10 grant applications, totaling \$88.3 million in requested funding. Notable submissions include:

- Short-Term Rental Enforcement Fund
 - \$4.8M to enhance short-term accommodation enforcement
- Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF)
 - o \$5.14M for the Ninth Line Stormwater Management Facility
- \$24.25M for the Reconstruction of Little Etobicoke Creek
- \$53.83M for the Mayor's Housing Task Force Financial Incentives

Details of 2025 grants applications are included in Appendix 3.

Engagement and Consultation

The Finance Division works closely with departmental staff to coordinate and prepare grant applications, ensuring alignment with City priorities. This includes gathering necessary project details, budgets, and documentation under tight timelines. Collaboration is essential to meet funding criteria and to maximize the City's chances of securing external funding.

Once funding is approved, the collaboration continues through ongoing efforts in claims submissions, reporting, and regular communication with funders. These efforts ensure compliance with grant agreements, timely progress reporting, and maintaining strong relationships with funding agencies.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact as result of recommendations in this report.

Conclusion

The City of Mississauga's proactive approach to securing grant funding—through effective collaboration across departments—continues to yield positive results. By working together to prepare applications, navigate complex requirements, and manage grants post-approval, the City ensures that external funding is maximized to support critical infrastructure and services.

To ensure Mayor and Council are well-informed on the status of grant submissions, staff will provide an Annual Grant Report within the first quarter of each calendar year. Quarterly updates will also be shared with the Mayor and Members of Council through established internal communication channels for significant funding opportunities, ad-hoc updates in the form of Corporate Reports and/or emails may be provided as required.

Attachments

Appendix 1: 2024 Grant Applications (as at January 31, 2025) Appendix 2: Active Grants 2019-2023 (as at January 31, 2025) Appendix 3: 2025 Grant Applications (as at January 31, 2025)

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