



Board Report • October 29 - November 9, 2012

FUNDING APPLICATION SUBMITTED

Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant

On November 1, 2012, O-YA submitted an application for funding to the Trillium Foundation. An overview of the request read as follows:

The Osgoode Youth Association (O-YA) would like to hire a part-time Youth Outreach & Event Coordinator (OEC). The OEC would perform 2 key roles:

1. Play a key outreach role in the Osgoode Ward youth community; engaging and encouraging both new and returning participants to experience O-YA's programming; providing increased opportunities for local youth to actively participate in activities and programs in the Osgoode community. O-YA's OEC would also engage in volunteer recruitment & coordination and program planning. The OEC would act as a liaison between community youth and O-YA's Program Coordinator to ensure all programming and events are on point, interesting and relevant to our rural community's unique needs and challenges.

2. Coordinate, manage and expand potential revenue generating Social Enterprise programs and events for O-YA (including the b.side youth cafe, day camps, party/event rentals, Sunday Cafe and 'Date Night' Saturdays) with the goals of building the capacity of our charitable and not-for-profit organization, increasing participation, encouraging economic activity, creating conditions to increase community engagement and enhancing quality of life in the Osgoode Ward community.

This project also has a job specific skills development aspect for the new Outreach & Event Coordinator, current O-YA Youth Workers and our Program Coordinator.

Additionally, O-YA would like to purchase some new furniture which would improve access to the new Social Enterprise (and other) programs and services at O-YA.

UPCOMING PROGRAMMING

O-YA has LOTS of programming on the go in November and December! You can check out our website for details, but highlights include: Red Cross Babysitting Course, Date Night, PD Day Camp, Gingerbread Decorating Event and Nesrallah's Flick The Switch event (which Matt & Tracey are graciously hosting as a fundraiser for O-YA).

SOCIAL MEDIA HELP PLEASE!!!

Social Media (both Twitter & Facebook) have become great tools for O-YA to promote our programs and events. But, these both work best when lots of people see our messages. Can I please ask all Board members who have Facebook and / or Twitter accounts to like our page and follow us? Then, when O-YA event or program notices are posted - please re-tweet or share to broaden our audience. Thanks in advance!!

GINGERBREAD DECORATING EVENT

I have circulated a spreadsheet detailing volunteer help that would be very helpful in running O-YA's winter fundraising event. So far, I have only hear from Leah with specific commitments to help out. This event will only be a success if everyone is able to lend a hand, so please have a look at the list and see where you can make a difference. Specifically, if anyone could secure any \$200 sponsors to help cover event costs, that would be extremely helpful. Does anyone have a Bulk Barn contact?



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b.side YOUTH CAFE

b.side cafe has been a bit quieter over the past couple of weeks. The Youth Workers and I are brainstorming ideas to bring the momentum back here.

UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

I have registered for a few upcoming training opportunities. These are as follows:

1. After School Programming Tips & Tricks; November 14
2. Strengthening Children's Mental Health in After School Programs; November 20
3. Analyzing Current Trends & Stability in After School Programs; November 28
4. Parks & Recreation Ontario: Programming for The Transition Years (ages 12 - 17); December 4

POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL

A draft version of O-YA's Policy & Procedure Manual is currently with Theresa Williams. Theresa is reviewing the P&P Manual and suggesting changes. Once the edited Manual comes back to O-YA, I will make the changes and forward it to the Board for approval.

EXPECTED DATES FOR RESULTS OF SUBMITTED FUNDING PROPOSALS

October 12, 2012	TD Bank Community Giving Program (Still haven't heard! Email sent to enquire)
November 30, 2012	The Ottawa Citizen Literacy Foundation Grant
November 30, 2012	Community Foundation of Ottawa; Gallery b. project
November 30, 2012	Telus Community Fund
January 10, 2013	Ontario Trillium Grant

NICOLE'S 2012 HOLIDAYS

1. 2 Days: Monday, January 30 & Tuesday, January 31, 2012 (*completed*)
2. 5 Days; Tuesday, March 13 - Wednesday, March 21, 2012 (*completed*)
3. 9 Days: Monday, July 30 - Friday, August 10, 2012 (*completed*)
4. 1 Day (plus lieu time); Wednesday, September 26 - Friday, September 28, 2012 (*completed*)
5. 3 Days: Monday, December 24, Thursday, December 27 & Friday, December 28, 2012