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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF OTTAWA - GRANT APPLICATION APPROVED!

On November 18, 2014, O-YA received notification of approval on our Community Foundation of Ottawa Grant! So, in 2015, we will be hosting a project called, 'World Village.' The purpose of World Village is for rural youth (Grades 7 - 12) to be exposed to, learn about and celebrate 12 diverse cultures. Volunteers (from 12 different cultures; such as Greek, Turkish, Italian, Japanese, African) will each host a different World Village Workshop at the Osgoode Youth Association over the course of a full year (one Workshop per month). During each Workshop, hosts will talk about their culture of origin (sharing fun trivia, history, photos, videos, memorabilia ... a unique and personal glimpse into their culture) and prepare a meal of foods representative of their culture with our youth participants. The group will then sit, family style, to enjoy the meal together. O-YA's Although our grant request was for \$10,300, we received \$6,000 in funding.

CITY OF OTTAWA CIVIC EVENTS FUNDING - APPLICATION APPROVED!

In November 2014, O-YA received notification of approval for our partnership project with ROSSS to host our second annual Generations event. Generations is a joint multi-generational event which will see youth and seniors get together on Family Day weekend 2015 to bake, create art, eat lunch and enjoy a tea social at O-YA.

CANADA POST'S COMMUNITY FUNDING - APPLICATION ON TRACK

O-YA is on track to submit an application for Canada Post's Community Funding in March of 2015.

CANADA SUMMER JOBS - APPLICATION ON TRACK

O-YA is on track to submit an application to HRSDC for their Canada Summer Jobs program. O-YA has received funding from this program for our full time summer Youth Worker staff for the past 5 years.

CITY OF OTTAWA FUNDING UPDATE

1. Councillor Thompson and I were supposed to have a meeting in November with Serge Arpin (Mayor's Chief of Staff) re: moving forward with O-YA's Budget Pressures increase request. Despite multiple attempts on my behalf to schedule this meeting, it did not take place. I am now trying to work with Councillor Darouze to move forward with our Budget Pressures increase request.
2. Doug Thompson has had initial meetings with local business contacts to make corporate donations to O-YA to help keep us up and running. These include: Ian Drew, Jim Beverage, Tim DeDecker, Tomlinson, OrgaWorld and Agri-Drain.
3. In November, Retired Councillor Thomspson and I were supposed to meet with the newly elected Osgoode Ward Councillor to get them up to speed on O-YA's ongoing budget pressures request with the City. Although this meeting has not taken place yet, I am trying to re-schedule it for January; with or without Doug Thompson.