MIDDLESEX-LONDON HEALTH UNIT



REPORT NO. 020-19FFC

- TO: Chair and Members of the Finance & Facilities Committee
- FROM: Christopher Mackie, Medical Officer of Health / CEO

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2018 REVISED BUDGET – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LONG-TERM CARE (MOHLTC) APPROVED GRANTS

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 020-19FFC re: "2018 Revised Budget – MOHLTC-Approved Grants" for information.

Key Points

- On May 7, 2018, the Health Unit received the provincial grant approvals for 2018, which included a 3% increase to base funding totaling \$484,000, and approval for two one-time funding grants totaling \$40,000. This was outlined in Report No. 027-18FFC.
- The Health Unit was subsequently invited to apply for one-time funds, along with submission of the Q3 2018 Standards Activity Reports (SAR).
- The Health Unit was advised on May 8, 2019, that an additional \$97,700 of one-time funds will be provided to support cannabis enforcement and vision screening requirements.

Background

A letter from Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, is attached as <u>Appendix A</u>. This letter confirms that the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) will provide the Board of Health with up to \$97,700 in one-time funding for the 2018–19 funding year. The new schedules to the Public Health Funding and Accountability Agreement are set out as <u>Appendix B</u>. Maximum total funding available under the Agreement is \$21,419,500 as set out in the following table:

	2018 Budget	
Base funds - cost shared	\$	16,615,200
Base funds - 100%		4,180,700
Base funds - related programs - cost shared		485,900
One-time funds - previously approved		40,000
One-time funds - funding increase		97,700
Revised Base Funds	\$	21,419,500

Table 1 - Summary of Board of Health Approved Budget

One-Time Funding

Approval was previously received for two grants totaling \$40,000, including \$10,000 for Public Health Inspector Practicum Program Funding and \$30,000 for Healthy Menu Choice Act Enforcement.

As part of the Q3 2018 Standards Activity Reports, the Health Unit took advantage of an opportunity to apply for one-time funds. Funding for these requests, including \$24,400 for vision screening tools and \$73,300 for cannabis enforcement, was approved on March 29, 2019. The Health Unit was advised of the approved funding on May 8, 2019. The funding was intended for the period April 1, 2018, to March 31, 2019.

Spending for cannabis enforcement in the first quarter of 2019 was sufficient to fully offset the \$73,300 of funds granted. However, as the Middlesex-London Health Unit was uncertain as to whether funding for vision screening tools would be granted, no spending occurred prior to March 31, 2019 due to lack of funds available. The Ministry has confirmed that if the funds were not expended prior to March 31, 2019, they must be returned to the Ministry of Finance which will be dealt with through the 2018 settlement process.

This report was prepared by the Finance Team, Healthy Organization Division.

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