

Niagara 1999 - 2000

Adolescent's Family Support Services of Niagara

\$30,300 over one year to help adolescent families pursue their education by providing a community worker in Beamsville and supplying toys and equipment to enhance their children's social and emotional development.

Amity Goodwill Industries Niagara

\$75,000 over one year for renovations/repairs to community space in the "Normandy Resource Centre", a not for profit multi-partner service complex. The philosophy behind this project is to minimize occupancy costs, share staff functions such as accounting, clerical support, and provide a "market place" of support options for consumers within the same central facility.

Bellerophon Drum and Bugle Band

\$23,000 over one year for the purchase of uniforms and equipment for the marching band which will enable them to continue entertaining the public.

Bethesda

\$23,500 over three years to provide holistic services to the disabled in a productive and meaningful work experience through growing an environmentally friendly vegetable garden.

Bethlehem Not-For-Profit Housing Projects of Niagara, The

\$174,000 over three years to provide basic life skill training for women while concurrently developing a video CD-ROM training program which is accessible to community groups and individuals. The basic Life Skills program will help women set personal goals and prepare them for pre-employment training, school, volunteer work etc.

Big Brothers of South Niagara Inc

\$30,900 over two years to support the In-School Mentoring Program, a one-to-one service for boys and girls in elementary school who need extra support and attention.

Canadian Diabetes Association Niagara District Branch

\$19,400 over two years to promote the health of individuals with diabetes through research, education, service and advocacy.

Canadian Federation of University Women - Welland District

\$5,000 over one year for the publication of a book celebrating local women who have made a significant contribution to the community (Welland, Pelham, Wainfleet, Port Colborne).

Canadian Henley Rowing Corporation

\$75,000 over one year to repair a rowing shell launching dock for both functional and safety reasons. The dock is an essential component of the community rowing facility utilized by over 2100 participants.

Casa El Norte

\$65,000 over three years for an emergency shelter for refugees and the homeless. Funding will help develop a formal partnership among the three operating organizations and provide for the shelter's basic necessities.

Chapel Singers

\$25,000 over one year to purchase portable sound and lighting equipment for the organization, which provides musical entertainment to community organizations and intergenerational audiences, with a focus on seniors, shut-ins, and people who are sick or in palliative care.

Chorus Niagara

\$24,000 over two years to develop a fundraising / marketing plan and enhance their regional audience base by performing a regional concert in an area which has not been exposed to professional choral music.

Club Capri, Thorold Order of Sons of Italy of Canada

\$30,800 over one year to renovate the club's washroom to ensure accessibility for those with physical disabilities.

Community Dialogue on Racism, Inc. Niagara

\$43,200 over two years for staffing support, office rental, Board training, volunteer development, and the development and publication of Anti-Racism on the Road workshop resource materials and a Train the Trainer program for volunteer workshop facilitators.

Community Living - Fort Erie

\$9,300 over one year to repair water damage at the Family Resource Centre which serves children, families and the community-at-large.

Distress Centre Niagara Inc

\$82,700 over five years to enhance and expand the organization's computer system which will help strengthen front-line service, offer more immediate access to information and improve volunteer management.

Family and Children's Services Niagara

\$37,400 over one year to assist renovations of two youth homes housing children age 10-16 with behavioural problems.

Folk Arts Council of St Catharines

\$25,000 over one year to support the continued repositioning and expansion of the Folk Arts Festival from a successful, volunteer managed community event to a professionally managed and programmed arts festival.

Fort Erie Conservation Club

\$9,500 over one year to make their facility accessible through the addition of an accessible ramp and entranceway.

The Francophone Multiservice Centre of Port Colborne

\$75,000 over one year to evaluate and improve programs, provide in-school mentoring and literacy programs for francophone students, introduce mechanisms to enhance long term sustainability and create additional space to deliver expanded programming.

Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks

\$45,000 over one year to support habitat rehabilitation in Frenchman's Creek. The goal is to restore 694 meters of the creek to its natural state by implementing a natural meandering channel with pool and riffle structures, creating food plain pools and aquatic plants, enhancing and naturalizing riparian plantings.

Greater Fort Erie Big Brothers and Big Sisters

\$75,000 over three years to support the Stepping Stones Program, aimed at youth age 6-12. The program explores issues such as anger management, decision making, communications, bullying and peer and family relationships.

Grimbsy Skating Club

\$4,000 over two years to assist in the development of a skating program to serve mentally and physically challenged individuals in the community.

Habitat for Humanity Niagara

\$30,000 over one year establish a Habitat for Humanity Restore in Niagara. The Restore will recycle and sell home renovation items to raise funds for the organization and improve the environment through reduction of waste.

Head Injury Association of Fort Erie

\$25,000 over one year to increase the organization's effectiveness, build broader community networks, move toward economic self-reliance and support acquired brain injury survivors in developing their own initiatives.

Head Injury Association of Niagara

\$23,800 over one year to fund a Time-Limited Group Treatment Model, which offers counseling and support to couples where one partner has an acquired brain injury.

Hospice Niagara

\$100,000 over two years to develop and implement a plan to raise awareness and a funding strategy to build and operate a residential hospice in Niagara.

Junior Achievement of the Niagara Peninsula

\$24,500 over one year to improve technology and training equipment, which will help to enhance current training and delivery methods for volunteers and participating youth in JA programs throughout Niagara.

Land Care Niagara

\$131,400 over three years to implement the Niagara Natural Heritage Ecological Framework, which addresses habitat fragmentation and biodiversity loss through land stewardship, preservation, regeneration and the development of natural wildlife corridors.

Le Club Renaissance Sacré-Coeur De Welland

\$4,500 over three months to purchase electronic equipment such as a computer, a photocopier and a musical system.

Lincoln Community Against Violence

\$34,500 over three years to provide information and access to confidential counselling and support for women experiencing life difficulties and abusive situations.

Literacy Council of Lincoln/Job Finders Centre

\$24,100 over two years to provide technical support for literacy and employment programming and to fund the replacement of a furnace.

Mackenzie Heritage Printery Museum

\$10,200 over one year to inventory and catalogue over 400 historical artifacts and a library collection of books and periodicals relating to printing in Canada's only working printing museum.

Mainstream: (Inclusive Environmental Action)

\$25,000 over one year for its Green Community Project. Through its Inclusive Environmental Action program, developmentally challenged persons will assist in community naturalization projects.

Niagara Artists Company

\$25,000 over one year for the Vagabond 2000 Project. Trillium funding will assist with facility improvements, operating expenses, marketing and the purchase of theatre equipment for 2000-20001 theatre season.

Niagara Chapter of Native Women Inc.

\$36,300 over one year to promote and support the needs and interests of urban aboriginal women and to focus on culture as a way to encourage full participation in community life.

Niagara Falls Art Gallery

\$71,000 over three years to assist the expansion of the School Workshop Program providing an integrated arts program, and ii) the Niagara Children's Museum exhibitions and programs to meet community demand.

Niagara Historical Society

\$25,000 over one year to complete the third phase of restoring the Niagara Historical Society Museum, the first building in Ontario specifically designed as a historical museum.

Niagara Regional Children's Safety Village

\$70,000 over two years for seed money to create and support the critical fundraising, management and marketing strategies that will properly launch the Children's Safety Village of Niagara Region.

Niagara Regional Literacy Council

\$45,900 over three years - to extend the literacy program in the Niagara Region to Niagara Falls. To assist with operating costs, by providing one on one tutoring to individuals through reading, writing, and numeracy skills.

Niagara Regional Minor Football Association

\$22,100 over one year to assist with start up costs, related to creating a safe playing environment, for this new and unique regional sports organization.

Niagara Regional Native Centre

\$90,600 over three years to provide a culturally-appropriate justice program for non-violent Aboriginal offenders, victim and community members in Niagara.

Niagara River Restoration Council

\$47,200 over two years to provide the funding stability necessary for the organization to restructure itself, define its role as a leader in environmental restoration, protection and preservation, and to move toward self-sufficiency.

Ontario March of Dimes, Thorold

\$25,000 over six months to provide integrated, community-based transportation services at an affordable cost so Niagara residents, including those with special needs, can travel independently.

Point Abino Lighthouse Preservation Society

\$10,200 over one year to assist in the development and design of a historical book on Point

Abino Lighthouse, the lightkeeper's dwelling, local marine history, First Nation's Heritage and other related local history around Point Abino.

Port Colborne Bocce Club Inc.

\$14,800 over one year to update the club facilities, as well as make them more accessible to seniors and disabled members.

Port Colborne Lions Club

\$35,500 over one year to make the necessary changes in order to make the building fully accessible. This would include elevator access, along with construction of an accessible washroom.

Port Colborne Minor Baseball

\$5,800 over one year to host a regional coaching clinic, relocate a backstop, repair a batting cage and purchase a computer system to share with other sports associations.

Port Colborne Minor Hockey Association Inc.

\$14,300 over one year to develop a Minors Sports Education and Multi-media Resource Centre, in collaboration with six other recreational groups, to benefit Port Colborne youth.

Port Colborne Wainfleet Community Development Corporation, Community Futures Committee

\$37,000 over two years to support the community's strategic plan by organizing and coordinating volunteer activity, assisting with project management and encouraging ongoing community development.

Royal Canadian Legion

\$35,100 over one year to upgrade existing facilities and to increase community and membership use of the organization for fundraising and donations.

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch#4

\$37,000 over one year to replace the community room heating and air conditioning units and upgrade the smoke removal system.

The Shaw Festival

\$35,300 over one year to assist in providing a wheelchair accessible washroom at the Royal George Theatre and providing hearing devices at both the Court House Theatre and Festival Theatre.

Sir John Colborne Youth Soccer Club

\$15,000 over one year to assist in the purchase and installation of lighting for one soccer field.

Thorold Chamber of Commerce

\$51,500 over one year to assist in the restoration of a historic building along the Welland Canal into a Heritage Tourism Welcome Centre including a multi-media interactive Heritage Display Terminal which would highlight Thorold & Niagara's history.

Thorold Community Activities Group

\$24,600 over one year for facility repairs and improvements to the TCAG hall, and providing high quality recreational, cultural and educational programs to the community.

United Mennonite Home for the Aged

\$7,500 over one year to assist with the purchase of a van to provide transportation for seniors who are active in the community.

Welland District Association for Community Living

\$7,600 over one year to train employees in Personal Outcome Measures. To enhance the level of and quality of services and supports for the people with disabilities provided by the WACL and its partners. It will allow for validation of organizational performance and identify areas for further improvements.

Welland Festival of Arts

\$45,200 over two years for arts and heritage programs including mural restoration, a Murals Conference, Murals Photo Gallery, bilingual arts/heritage brochures and Kidz Arts Day.

Welland Historical Museum

\$16,000 over one year for the museum to purchase and install a platform lift.

WinterFest of Greater Fort Erie

\$60,000 over two years for the staff and supplies needed to expand the winter festival.

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A Cappella Niagara Men's Barbershop Chorus

\$6,500 over one year to purchase sound equipment for enhanced artistic quality.

Alzheimer Society of Niagara Region

\$74,000 over three years to support the Assistive Devices Program, which loans assistive devices (such as walkers and wheelchairs) to people who need them, and to strengthen the organization's fund development capabilities.

The Arthritis Society - Niagara Peninsula Office

\$30,000 over 18 months to provide operational support for program coordination, office administration and fund development.

Association Canadienne Française du Niagara

\$23,600 over one year to create an information and communication network through the Internet to promote francophone gatherings and social, recreational, cultural and sporting activities for young adults.

Beamsville Lawn Bowling Club Inc.

\$15,300 over one year to upgrade facility lighting and purchase a new lawn roller.

Big Brothers & Sisters of St. Catharines - Thorold and District

\$57,000 over three years to enhance the operation of the big/bunch and In School Mentoring programs.

Big Sisters Association of Welland, Port Colborne and Pelham

\$34,400 over two years to support two initiatives: a program that matches girls (ages 6 to 8) to a big sister, and hiring a part-time marketing and fundraising assistant.

The Boys and Girls Club of Niagara

\$71,600 over one year to support the Family Spirit Life Skills Program and Adventure 2000 Recreational Program for children.

The Breast Cancer Research & Education Fund

\$37,200 over one year to support an initiative which will focus on the informational needs of mothers and daughters who are facing breast cancer, and the expansion of the breast cancer support group program to South Niagara.

Canadian Authors Association (Niagara Branch)

\$6,700 over two years to enrich the cultural life of the Niagara community through speakers, writing workshops and a distinguished authors series.

Canadian Polish Congress, Niagara District

\$12,500 over one year to research, compile and publish a history of Polish Canadians in the Niagara Region.

Canadian Women's Studies Association

\$16,900 over one year to provide operational support and assistance for a Women's Life Planning conference in 2001.

Chevaliers de Colomb, Welland

\$16,900 over one year to improve accessibility for individuals with disabilities currently using the facility.

Children's Discovery Centre of Niagara Inc., The

\$60,900 over one year period to create barrier-free access to the Children's Discovery Centre.

Chippawa Lions Club

\$41,300 over six months to expand an activity-based pathway and multi-purpose park to meet the growing need for safe, outdoor exercise facilities.

Community Living - Fort Erie

\$42,400 over one year to provide volunteer promotional and recruitment material for all Community Living Agencies in Niagara.

Dreams to Memories Foundation, Fort Erie

\$25,000 over one year to increase community awareness and accessibility by opening up a "Dreams to Memories" office to assist terminally ill parents with children under the age of 15, by giving them an opportunity to have a family last wish experience.

The Family Counselling Centre

\$131,500 over two years to deliver FAST-Families and Schools Together, a research based prevention and early intervention program for families to increase the academic and social functioning of at-risk children at an early age, by implementing a family focused program which is designed to increase self esteem and improve school performance by supporting the natural strength of the family unit.

Fort Erie Community YMCA

\$67,400 over one year to renovate and repair the YMCA Education Centre, which provides child care, youth programs, evening and weekend sporting activities, including summer and day camp, high risk teen education and teen parent and community health programs.

Fort Erie Festivals

\$61,500 over three months to create a new attraction for the Friendship Festival called 'Legacy of Friends', to provide an annual showcase of Canadian culture and heritage.

The Fort Erie Housing Help Centre

\$10,800 over six months to help coordinate International Year of Volunteers 2001 activities that celebrate Greater Fort Erie volunteers.

Grimsby Archives

\$5,600 over one year to establish the infrastructure and record keeping required for the Grimsby Historical Society's 50-year archival collection.

Grimsby Auxiliary Marine Rescue Unit

\$75,000 over one year for the completion of its new dedicated marine search and rescue unit.

Gypsy Theatre

\$24,700 over one year to purchase lighting equipment to assist in the establishment of a professionally equipped theatrical facility in order for their projects to reach their greatest potential in fostering and developing arts programming.

Head Injury Association of Niagara

\$53,300 over two years to assist in operating an extensive brain injury prevention program, to cover the cost of resource materials, and a prevention coordinator.

'I CAN' Therapeutic Equestrian Riding Association of Niagara, Inc.

\$72,300 over one year to increase accessibility and improve the use of the facilities, enhance the Children's Garden, develop walkways to the outdoor education areas and establish an accessible playground that meets CSA standards and regulations.

Kiwanis Club of St. Catharines

\$75,000 over one year to build an all-inclusive playground called "The Infinity Playplace," which will combine traditional play equipment and specialized equipment to be enjoyed by children with special needs or who are physically challenged.

Knights of Columbus - Council # 2146, Welland

\$19,500 over six months to purchase a computer system and repair the roof of the building used by the Council.

Le Club Soleil, les aînés canadiens français de St. Catharines Inc.

\$15,000 over one year to provide services to seniors from St. Catharine's francophone community.

Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara

\$154,800 over three years to deliver the Literacy and Social Skills Program, which provides children (ages 7 to 14) with effective reading, writing and social skills strategies and training as part of an after-school program.

Lighthouse Niagara Resource Centre

\$83,000 over two years to secure one full-time staff person to oversee the operations of this Centre which serves high risk youth in the Niagara area.

The Lincoln and Welland Regiment Foundation

\$75,000 over six months to assist with the costs of producing, screening and marketing a broadcast-quality, one hour historical documentary about the Lincoln and Welland regiment.

Lincoln Garden Club and Horticultural Society

\$17,500 over one year to assist in the development of the Millennium Forest.

Literacy Council of Niagara West

\$18,200 over one year to support and maintain the computer learning lab, which helps local area adults and youth acquire basic computer skills and provides support in delivering literacy and employability programs.

Mainstream: (Inclusive Environmental Action)

\$59,600 over one year to support the Lake Gibson Community Naturalization Project which will help restore a natural parkland area. The project will also provide employment opportunities for individuals with a developmental disability.

Niagara Artists Company

\$25,000 over one year to renovate the facility for artists and arts groups, which will create studio and meeting space, resource areas and a main gallery.

Niagara Child Development Centre

\$139,900 over two years to produce two interactive CD-ROMs that will greatly enhance the treatment and training program for the Sexual Treatment Outpatient Program (S.T.O.P.) .

Niagara Community Foundation

\$50,000 over two years to support the start-up of a regional community foundation. The foundation will provide grants to support local community programs and services that contribute to the health and vitality of the community.

Niagara Falls Curling Club

\$28,100 over one year to purchase critical ice-making equipment to allow the Club to operate efficiently and effectively.

Niagara Falls Lightening Gymnastic Club Inc.

\$25,000 toward the purchase of a springboard floor, a safe, high performance piece of gymnastic equipment.

The Niagara Men's Chorus

\$24,000 over one year to purchase uniforms and an equipment trailer.

Niagara Olympic Club of St Catharines

\$75,000 over one year to refurbish the track and field area at the West Park Sports Complex, making it a safe, accessible facility for recreational and competitive use.

Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre

\$35,000 over three years to provide operating support for summer programs for children with special needs. The project will provide adapted activities for children with physical or communication disabilities.

Niagara Regional Native Centre

\$9,000 over one year to hold a Native Youth and Elders Conference.

Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre

\$150,000 over two years to foster community safety for children through the Child Assault Prevention Program through a public education program designed for kids.

Niagara South Parent Support Association Inc.

\$14,700 over one year to help the Teen Turnabout Program in Niagara Falls support teens and parents through life skills training and counselling when the family unit is at risk.

The Niagara Symphony Association

\$168,500 over three years to increase the Symphony's cultural contribution to Niagara through school outreach, enhancing artistic quality, increasing visibility, developing new audiences, and strengthening its core operations and financial independence.

Non-Profit Mobile Corporation of Fort Erie Inc.

\$47,000 over one year to purchase a new van and support accessible transportation services in Greater Fort Erie.

Port Colborne & District Conservation Club

\$28,500 over one year to make the facility accessible, upgrade the plumbing, electrical and heating systems, and widen and adapt the nature trail system for accessible use.

Preserve Publicly Owned Parks for People, Smithville

\$22,900 over one year to support the purchase of accessible playground equipment.

Robert Wood Singers, Niagara Falls

\$28,200 over one year to help purchase uniforms, an equipment trailer and rent performance facilities.

Rodman Hall Arts Centre

\$50,000 over one year to assist in the expansion of educational workshops that provide an integrated arts program which uses art as a basis for improved learning and teach children how to appreciate arts and culture.

Rotary Club of Niagara on the Lake

\$20,000 over two years for the Drug and Addiction Advice Project, which includes producing promotional material, constructing a web site, and providing "push-pull" drug advice and information cards.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 17, Thorold

\$27,900 to construct an accessible washroom in the Banquet/Community Hall, replace the boiler and undertake emergency roof repairs.

Royal Canadian Legion - Port Colborne Branch 56

\$22,300 over one year to support the building repairs to the Legion as it celebrates its 75th anniversary.

Royal Canadian Legion General Nelles Branch 124

\$22,200 over one year to support the capital upgrades to the roof and air system of the Legion building which will enhance the ongoing viability of this community-based facility.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 138 (Merritton)

\$29,200 over one year to purchase a chair lift, repair the roof and replace part of the air conditioning system to the Legion building which will enhance the ongoing viability of this community-based facility.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 350-Port Dalhousie

\$25,900 over one year to support the roof and building repairs to the Legion, which will enhance the ongoing viability of this community-based facility.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 393 (Grimsby)

\$54,800 over one year to install new heating and air conditioning systems in this building which is used by the community.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #479

\$8,000 over three months to fund repairs to the roof of the Legion building to enhance the viability of this community-based facility.

Royal Canadian Legion, Beamsville Branch 612

\$24,100 to renovate the Community Hall with new windows, kitchen equipment, flooring and wheelchair accessible ramping.

Royal Canadian Naval Association Niagara Region

\$10,000 over one year to enhance the ability of people with disabilities to carry out activities of daily living through the purchase of assistive devices, related maintenance and transportation.

Society for Ecological Restoration Ontario Chapter

\$25,000 over one year to help organize and hold the 13th Annual International Conference of the Society. The event, which will be held in Niagara in October 2001, will raise awareness of natural heritage.

South Niagara Rowing Club

\$35,000 over one year to purchase rowing equipment which will enhance rowing in the community and access by youth and individuals with special needs.

Spartan Athletic Club of St Catharines

\$52,500 over one year to help the organization enhance its equipment loan program, and develop management, administrative and fundraising procedures and strategies.

Sport by Ability Niagara Inc.

\$17,500 over one year to support the sledge hockey and track and field programs. The grant will enable the organization to increase its effectiveness through board development and recruitment, and establish a marketing and fundraising plan.

St. Catharines Flying Club - Niagara District Airport

\$40,900 over one year to renovate and upgrade the Club's facilities to comply with fire and access codes.

Stamford Skating Club

\$10,800 over three years to assist in the development of a skating program to serve mentally and physically-challenged individuals in the community, and to assist in updating the organization's constitution, bylaws and develop operational policies and procedures.

Trinity United Church

\$29,600 over one year to repair the roof of the community hall/gymnasium which is used extensively by community groups.

United Way of Niagara Falls

\$21,000 over three years for fundraising and management information software to increase the capacity of the United Way of Niagara Falls to raise funds in support of social service organizations.

Wainfleet Historical Society

\$24,800 over four months to host the 2000 Ontario Town Crier Provincial Championship, in conjunction with the annual Marshville Heritage Festival, which will give the public the opportunity to witness the ancient art of the Town Crier.

Welland Curling Club

\$25,000 over four months to replace the ice plant chiller so that the club will be able to continue to provide recreational opportunities to seniors, disabled people, children and the general public.

The Welland & District Humane Society

\$46,400 over three years to support a program that enhances the quality of life for seniors through regular visits by friendly animals, and a program that provides animal companionship for children with emotional disabilities in an environment that is safe and secure for the children and the animals.

West Lincoln Historical Society, Smithville

\$25,000 over one year to provide climate control and storage in the archival vault and develop a computer inventory of historical artifacts.

West Lincoln Leisureplex, Smithville

\$38,300 over one year to plant trees and shrubs and establish a playground area.

Westminster United Church

\$75,000 over one year to increase accessibility to provide elevator access to their community facility so that people with disabilities will be able to participate in a wide variety of community activities, events and meetings.

Racing Against Drugs Committee/Wise Guys Charity Fund

\$35,200 over two years toward two drug awareness and prevention programs for youth: the "George Chuvalo Fight Against Drugs" and the "Racing Against Drugs" programs.

YWCA of Niagara Falls

\$73,400 over 18 months to enable the organization to develop operational policies and procedures, design programs, form community partnerships, and initiate and coordinate fund development strategies.

YWCA of St Catharines

\$39,100 over three months to provide recreational opportunities for children and youth by providing gym and sports equipment, and support in upgrading an outside play area.

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Beamsville Lawn Bowling Club Inc.

\$3,000 over one year to install a washroom in the club facility. The club offers men and women in Lincoln, an important opportunity to participate in recreational and competitive lawn bowling.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Grimsby, Lincoln and West Lincoln

\$9,100 over one year to expand an in-school mentoring program offered to boys and girls in elementary school who need extra support and attention.

Business Education Council of Niagara

\$71,200 over one year to develop 100 web sites for community organizations in order to assist them to use and benefit from technology.

Carousel Players

\$16,100 over six months to purchase equipment and assess changes needed to be made to a facility so that more community arts groups will be able to use it.

Centre communautaire Le Griffon

\$25,000 over eight months to develop a reading program, leadership training, and health-oriented cultural events for the Francophone community of the area.

Centre de santé communautaire Hamilton-Wentworth/ Niagara

\$24,500 over one year to enable this community health organization, serving Francophones in the Niagara Region, to develop and implement a comprehensive volunteer program to enhance services.

Community Care of West Niagara

\$5,700 over six months to coordinate activities for the International Year of Volunteers, including a volunteer celebration event.

Folk Arts Council of St Catharines

\$76,000 over three years for operating support to strengthen the organization's financial base, expand its programs for immigrants and promote cultural interactions within the community.

Fort Erie Underwater Recovery Unit

\$5,000 over one year to waterproof the roof and make structural floor repairs to ensure the long-term safety and security of the training facility.

Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks

\$32,000 over six months to purchase a fully equipped tractor to assist with large-scale rehabilitation and natural improvements within the Fort Erie watershed.

Gallery Players (Niagara) Association

\$25,000 over three years to expand and attract audiences to chamber music, through enhanced marketing and promotion.

Glenridge Lawn Bowling Club

\$24,300 over one year to assist with greens renovations, clubhouse energy efficiencies and the purchase of a new mower.

Grimsby Curling Club

\$68,700 over one year to replace the ice bed and insulate the outside walls in order to provide high calibre ice-making and ensure the long-term viability of the facility.

Grimsby Knights of Harmony

\$15,400 over one year to purchase uniforms and performance equipment to help this male choir perform for community organizations and intergenerational audiences, with a specific focus on seniors and people with disabilities.

Gypsy Theatre

\$30,000 over two years to enhance the creative design of performances by helping defray production costs, including material for sets, costumes, and props.

Holy Trinity Anglican Church

\$21,300 over one year to improve the community service facilities and make them accessible for persons with disabilities.

'I CAN' Therapeutic Equestrian Riding Association of Niagara, Inc.

\$118,900 over two years to support the creation of a model eco-tourism project that will demonstrate many aspects of environmental protection, including stewardship, wildlife preservation, waste management, creek restoration, farming, and naturalization.

Information Niagara

\$137,900 over two years to increase public awareness of the organization, evaluate and develop information programs and services, and disseminate information that connects people with community services.

Knights of Columbus Council # 3732

\$12,900 over six months to purchase a new roof, flooring and kitchen equipment.

Le Centre Polyvalent des Aînés Francophones de Port Colborne

\$50,000 over two years to enhance programming and ensure the long-term sustainability of the organization.

Lions Club of Jordan Inc.

\$24,300 over six months to help establish an instructional lacrosse league for the communities of West Niagara (Lincoln, Grimsby and West Lincoln).

Marshville Heritage Society Inc

\$95,300 over three years in administrative and technological support to enable the Society to centralize its records and expand the operation of Marshville Heritage Village, which is the "jewel in the crown" of tourism activity in this rural community.

Meals on Wheels/Community Support Services

\$51,100 over nine months to sustain and evaluate Niagara Gatekeepers, an initiative which reaches out to socially isolated and vulnerable seniors in order to empower them or their caregivers to access community support services.

Meals on Wheels/Community Support Services

\$75,100 over two years to develop and implement a Volunteer Recruitment Program to benefit all the Meals on Wheels agencies in Niagara.

Niagara 4-H Association

\$9,200 over one year to purchase office technology.

Niagara Antique Power Association Inc.

\$40,700 over two years to upgrade facilities and purchase equipment to assist in the maintenance and operation of the antique power show.

Niagara Centre for Independent Living

\$23,000 over one year to set up and operate the Consumer Run Ability First Training (CRAFT) Program, which provides employment skills training to persons with disabilities.

Niagara Falls Big Brothers Big Sisters Association Inc

\$97,000 over three years to increase marketing and recruit more mentors for children.

Niagara Falls Lawn Bowling Club

\$22,100 over six months to purchase lawn bowling equipment, upgrade the field lighting, and enhance instructional training and publicity.

Niagara German Canadian Club

\$25,000 over one year to repair the roof of a local community facility and make its washroom facilities accessible to people with disabilities.

Niagara Olympic Wrestling Club

\$127,500 over three years to develop and expand the women's and junior wrestling programs in Niagara.

Niagara Training & Employment Agency

\$50,200 over three months to purchase and install recreational and therapeutic play equipment for a respite care program offered to children and youth with special needs.

Niagara Victim Crisis Support Services

\$3,500 over six months to train staff in suicide prevention.

Open Arms Mission Welland

\$75,000 over one year to renovate the food bank and kitchen facilities and make the building accessible to people with physical disabilities.

Port Colborne Community Association for Resource Extension

\$75,000 over one year to renovate a drop-in centre and help ensure the long-term viability of a community centre that provides services to people in need, including a soup kitchen.

Resource Association for Teens

\$67,200 over four years to oversee and coordinate the resources needed to support and expand programs and services for youth at risk.

Rotary Club of St. Catharines South

\$27,900 over one year to purchase a sailboat for people with disabilities to use in the Owls Disabled Sailing Program.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 4 (Welland)

\$36,000 over one year to construct a mural depicting the history of the Canadian Legion in the 20th Century and to assist with the Youth Memorial Education Project.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 51 (Niagara Falls)

\$18,000 over six months for equipment and repairs which will improve energy efficiency and safety in the community facility.

Showboat Festival Theatre

\$90,000 over three years to establish a year-round Youth Drama Program that provides professional theatre training and artistic and technical opportunities for youth.

St. Mark's Anglican Church

\$50,000 over one year to restore and refurbish the historically significant bells of St. Mark's and provide for an accessible washroom in the community hall.

Sugarloaf Sailing Club

\$17,300 over three years to purchase sailing equipment.

Survivors House of Hope

\$20,600 over one year to establish a volunteer management program and develop funding strategies in order to maintain the long-term viability of this organization that works to eliminate sexual abuse.

The Canadian Red Cross Society - Niagara Region

\$60,900 over two years to further develop the Disaster Services Training and Response program in Niagara Region.

The Children's Discovery Centre of Niagara Inc.

\$74,900 over one year to create a series of teaching gardens and ecosystems on the grounds of the Children's Discovery Centre, for the purpose of hands-on educational programming.

The Family YMCA of Niagara Falls

\$24,700 over one year to help plan and develop a multi-purpose community centre that will serve families and youth in Niagara Falls.

The Foundation of Resources for Teens

\$100,000 over three years in operational funding to enable a Niagara-area youth centre to provide health, social, life-skill and emotional support services.

The Housing Help Centre of St Catharines & Thorold

\$75,000 over one year to renovate a warehouse into a housing help drop-in and resource centre, to provide a range of services to disadvantaged members of the community.

The Niagara Pumphouse Visual Art Centre

\$49,600 over three years to support the Young Artist Development Program, which provides an opportunity for children to develop their self-esteem and artistic skills through various forms of visual art.

The Optimist Club of Fort Erie

\$38,300 over one year to provide accessible washrooms and install ramps so that this community facility can be used by members of the public year-round.

The Optimist Club of Niagara Falls, Inc

\$37,500 over one year to replace and renovate the roof of this regional facility which is used by a number of community groups.

The Owl Foundation

\$75,000 over three years to repair or modify owl cages and to provide food to allow this internationally renowned owl rehabilitation facility to continue its work in the preservation of an endangered species.

The Rotary Club of St. Catharines, Lakeshore, Ontario, Canada, Inc.

\$59,800 over one year to celebrate the area's transportation heritage by making improvements to Charles Ansell Park in St. Catharines, including upgrading signage and lighting.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 396, Chippawa

\$22,500 over one year for renovations which will improve the air quality and appearance of the facility, so that community usage will continue and expand.

The Welland Community Resource and Action Centre

\$75,000 over three months to renovate a facility which will provide integrated services such as a soup kitchen, food bank, clothing depot and individual support to disadvantaged members of the community.

The Welland Multicultural Centre

\$14,000 over three months to assist in the creation and installation of the Welland Canal Memorial Monument, which celebrates the importance of multiculturalism to Welland's economic development.

Theatre Arts Niagara

\$24,300 over one year to provide operational support to this contemporary arts company, which will enable it to produce theatrical performances and participate in community events and musical presentations that will attract tourists to the area.

Theatre Beyond Words

\$59,300 over one year to develop performances, workshops and study guides for people with hearing impairments and those with a first language other than English.

United Senior Citizens of Ontario (Zone 15 -Niagara District)

\$3,700 over one year to purchase a photocopier and computer to enhance communications and the efficiency of this organization that provides services to seniors clubs in Niagara.

Wellspring Niagara

\$106,000 over three years to expand volunteer training and ongoing support programs and services for individuals living with cancer, family members and caregivers, including support groups designed specifically for children and adolescents.

Winter Festival of Lights

\$20,000 over six months to enable an Aboriginal carver to construct a totem pole that will tell the story of Niagara's historical development as part of an art exhibit.

Women's Place of South Niagara Inc.

\$162,100 over three years to provide court support services to abused women in the Niagara Falls/Fort Erie area, to develop working protocols with related agencies, to develop resources and to train staff and volunteers.

Niagara 2002 - 2003

Always School Renovations Project c/o Grimsby Lions Club

\$23,100 over one year to enable the community facility to be restored and used by local community and sports organizations.

BeCool Violence Prevention Program c/o Women's Place St. Catharines, North Niagara

\$63,300 over three years to evaluate and expand the BeCool Violence Prevention program, which teaches children how to deal with their emotions and anger, providing them with strategies for redirecting violent tendencies.

Bert Miller Nature Club of Fort Erie

\$24,900 over two years to conduct an old growth forest survey in the Niagara Region to identify, document and map ancient trees. The results will be used for educational purposes, preservation and the protection of the area's natural heritage.

Big Brothers of South Niagara Inc.

\$121,800 over two years to develop and implement a Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Niagara Region fundraising plan to ensure continued services throughout the area.

Canadian Canoe Association, Western Ontario Division

\$24,600 over six months to host the 2003 Canadian Sprint Canoe Championships which will be held in Welland/Port Colborne in August 2003, bringing a prestigious sports event to Niagara.

Canadian Hearing Society, Niagara Region

\$66,000 over two years to develop a public awareness program to educate youth and the general public about hearing loss and what they can do to prevent it.

Carousel Players

\$60,800 over six months to provide portable seating, lighting and sound equipment for the studio theatre located in the historic Old Court House Building, contributing to the cultural life of St. Catharines and generating tourism revenue.

Club Richelieu - Welland

\$51,400 over three months to assist with facility renovations and external and internal improvements designed to make this well-used community facility fully accessible to people with disabilities.

Club Roma Soccer Association, c/o Club Roma

\$7,000 over one year to purchase equipment for the boys and girls community soccer program.

Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold

\$75,000 over one year to purchase storage equipment for the newly renovated distribution warehouse and to purchase a van that will enable the organization to more efficiently distribute basic necessities to clients in need.

Community Care of West Niagara

\$118,000 over three years to better coordinate marketing, fund development, volunteer management, training and community relations, for this agency which provides basic necessities of life in West Niagara.

Community Outreach Program Erie

\$24,000 over six months to purchase a used van to pick up and deliver food and medicine to people in need, assist with client transportation, and provide other emergency assistance.

Fibromyalgia Association Niagara

\$2,000 over six months to support a community health fair providing information and resources to persons with fibromyalgia in the Niagara Region.

Fonthill Lions Club

\$65,600 over one year to retrofit the community hall resulting in greater usage and user satisfaction, and to enhance the community playground with new, safe playground equipment to create a safe and secure play area for all users.

Fort Erie Community YMCA

\$24,000 over six months to purchase equipment and furnishings for YMCA First Base Centre in Crystal Beach that provides under-serviced and high-risk families with a supportive child care and education program centre.

Friends of the Twelve

\$25,000 over two years to present an outdoor music and arts festival using the Henley Grandstand facilities. Proceeds will contribute to the understanding, restoration and protection of Twelve Mile Creek natural heritage.

Greater Niagara Baseball Association

\$23,400 over one year to make baseball more accessible, safe and fun for players, coaches and parents by purchasing new equipment and enhancing educational programming.

Grimsby Tennis Club

\$20,000 over two years to coordinate and expand tennis programs, enhance marketing, and establish a special needs fund for youth.

Horse Alternative Therapeutic Service

\$90,000 over two years to establish and build a therapeutic riding program for the disabled, and develop the equine assisted growth and learning (EAGALA) program for psychologically at-risk children and adults.

Junior Achievement of the Niagara Peninsula

\$95,600 over two years to support youth entrepreneurship and leadership by strengthening volunteer recruitment and management of its school program.

Le Club LaSalle

\$42,500 over six months to renovate Le Club LaSalle, improving community access and understanding of Francophone social, cultural and recreational activities and ensuring ongoing use of this important community asset.

Lincoln Agricultural Society

\$54,400 over one year for needed renovations to the Grandstand Community Hall in order to make it a safe, year-round facility for the Beamsville community.

Lincoln Community Against Violence

\$20,000 over one year to provide supportive services and counselling to women in rural Niagara who are victims of abuse.

The Lions Club of Merritton Inc.

\$60,000 over one year to replace eight manually operated classic bowling lanes and provide new stage curtains in the community centre.

Mackenzie Heritage Printery Museum (Ontario)

\$6,000 over one year to preserve local heritage by enabling the museum to finish cataloguing artifacts from the area and to produce a video that will show the public how printing was done in the past.

Maple Leaf Rifle and Revolver Club

\$19,300 over one year for an air handling system which is needed to remove lead particles from the air in the indoor target shooting range.

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada Niagara Peninsula Chapter of Hope

\$31,400 over one year to complete a comprehensive organizational service review and further elaborate resource development and marketing strategy.

Niagara Artists Company

\$39,500 over two years to assist in office and operations management for this artist-run company resulting in an anticipated increase in membership, volunteers, public participation and public awareness of contemporary arts.

Niagara Falls Art Gallery - The Passion of Christ William Kurelek Art Collection

\$73,800 over three years to further develop the Niagara Children's Museum exhibitions, expanding art education, workshops and programs to meet community demand and partnering with schools and community organizations to ensure access.

Niagara Falls Girls Soccer Club

\$75,000 over one year to support the development of an outdoor instructional training facility at the Home for Girls Soccer in Niagara Falls.

Niagara Grape and Wine Festival

\$48,400 over one year to purchase new technology, software and information programs to assist the festival with administration, project management, marketing, finances and resource development.

Niagara Historical Society

\$23,100 over one year to digitize the Museum's photograph and portrait collection. The collection will be displayed in CD-ROM format through public sites and Internet to ensure greater community awareness and understanding and long-term preservation of the Museum's collections.

Niagara Regional Children's Safety Village

\$76,900 over two years to support the management and operations of the facility which offers fun and interactive programs that teach young people the importance of safe behaviour and what to do in the case of an emergency.

Niagara Restoration Council

\$148,700 over three years to identify and remove specifically selected water flow barriers limiting fish migration within the Niagara River watershed, and to restore stream edge habitat to ensure a healthy and diverse aquatic community.

The Niagara Symphony Association

\$22,500 over one year to support NETWORK Niagara 2002, an international conference and event showcasing Niagara's arts and cultural sector.

The Niagara Water Quality and Quantity Enhancement Program c/o Land Care Niagara

\$52,800 over two years to develop a regional water quality and quantity enhancement strategy and to work with landowners to decommission unused wells and rehabilitate at-risk active wells.

Niagara-on-the-Lake Lawn Bowling Club

\$19,800 over one year to purchase lawn maintenance equipment and lawn bowling equipment, provide instructional training tools to new members and enhance community participation.

Ontario Wheels for Legs Successability Inc.

\$57,800 over two years to run a Day Sail Camp aimed at increasing disabled participation

Port Colborne Bocce Club Inc.

\$33,600 over one year to install an energy efficient heating and air conditioning system, remove and replace outdoor hydro lines, purchase a court roller and enhance facilities for year-round community use.

Port Dalhousie Lawn Bowling Club

\$12,800 over one year to replace the existing lighting system thus improving evening playing conditions, enhancing player skill development and providing opportunity for additional membership, tournaments and social events.

Project S.H.A.R.E. of Niagara Falls Inc.

\$106,000 over three years to more effectively assess and address the needs of individuals seeking food, shelter and other necessities in order to improve services.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 71 (Fort Erie)

\$14,200 over one year to construct a mural that will honour and perpetuate the memory of the men and women who served Canada to protect our freedom.

ScotDance Canada Association

\$15,000 over six months to assist in staging the ScotDance Canada Championship Series, highland dancing competitions that will be held in St.Catharines in July 2003.

St. Andrews United Church - St. Catharines

\$75,000 over one year to renovate existing church community facilities and promote an increase in the availability and variety of recreational and social/health programs serving the community of St. Catharines.

St. Catharines Minor Hockey School Inc.

\$19,300 over two years to support an instructional program that provides an inexpensive introductory opportunity for youth interested in learning the game of hockey.

St. David's Anglican Church

\$15,000 over one year to renovate and make accessible the community hall washrooms for improved service to the many children, youth and community groups using the facility.

St. John Ambulance, Lincoln County Branch

\$43,700 over one year to purchase a mobile first aid post and refurbish the teaching facility in order to better service the community.

St. John's Anglican Church

\$25,000 over one year to upgrade facilities used by the general public to make them accessible to people with limited mobility.

St. Patrick's Church

\$53,100 over one year to restore the historic steeple and promote the building's heritage and history through the Doors Open Ontario Heritage Program, highlighting this building's unique architecture and historical significance.

Thorold Figure Skating Club

\$8,000 over one year to help provide skating programs to disadvantaged youth in the community and to purchase sound equipment enabling the organization to improve the quality of training and performances.

Victorian Order of Nurses (VON), Niagara Branch

\$34,000 over one year to implement an improved documentation system that will enhance the quality of care for VON clients.

Volunteer Transportation Project c/o Canadian Mental Health Association, Niagara Branch

\$89,200 over three years to establish a transportation program which will enable individuals with mental health disabilities to get to work and participate in other activities.

The Welland Canals Foundation

\$150,000 over two years to promote the heritage and culture of the Welland canals by producing a film for public and educational broadcast that showcases their past and present economic contribution to the area.

Welland District Association for Community Living Foundation

\$37,500 over one year to support accessibility renovations of the agency's main facility providing universal user access and increasing participation in day support programs.

Welland Historical Society

\$4,200 over one year to commemorate Welland's history by researching and publishing a book of historical street names and installing a plaque to commemorate the Junction Lock of the Feeder Canal.

Welland Rose Festival Inc.

\$50,000 over two years to help strengthen event management and marketing of the Welland Rose Festival so that it will grow as a significant cultural event that continues to attract tourists to the area.

West Niagara Second Stage Housing and Counselling Inc.

\$20,000 over two years to refurbish three residential units used as interim housing for abused women. Residents receive counseling and are given tools to assist in restoring independence.

Willowbank School for Restoration Artsc/o The Niagara-on-the-Lake Conservancy Society

\$150,000 over two years to support the establishment of the Willowbank School for Restoration Arts to be housed in Willowbank Mansion when renovation work is completed. The school will teach arts and skills related to restoring historical buildings.

Women's Addiction Recovery Mediation

\$24,900 over one year to develop and maintain a client service database that will enable the

organization to research, track and more effectively address health, social and financial problems associated with substance abuse.

Working Against Violence Erie

\$5,000 over one year to repair the roof of a facility that provides safe and accessible supportive services to abused women and their families.

Niagara 2003 - 2004

2004 Ontario Senior Games, Actifest Games Organizing Committee c/o Ontario Senior Games Association

\$52,900 over nine months to support the Actifest 2004 Senior Games which provide recreation and social activities for seniors and boost tourism in St. Catharines and the Niagara region.

Access Niagara c/o Ontario March of Dimes

\$24,000 over one year to support the production of a guide highlighting businesses and attractions that are accessible for people with disabilities. The initiative will benefit area residents and tourists to the area.

Adolescent's Family Support Services of Niagara

\$74,300 over one year to provide operational and administrative support to increase the organization's fundraising capacity in order to assist young Niagara area parents in completing their education and becoming self-sufficient.

Belaire Figure Skating Club

\$23,300 over two years to provide young skaters in Port Colborne with development opportunities to help them participate in figure skating competitions.

Brain Injury Association of Niagara

\$12,500 over two years to support a therapeutic recreational program and children's day camp for children and teens with a brain injury and families of those with a brain injury.

Canadian Chamber Academy

\$38,300 over one year to manage and promote the 2004 season of the Niagara International Chamber Music Festival in Niagara-on-the-Lake and to ensure the future sustainability of the program.

Canadian Corps Association, Thorold Unit No. 44 Inc.

\$15,000 over one year to replace the heating and air conditioning system in the Association's Thorold facility, which is used for many community activities.

Canadian National Institute for the Blind, Niagara District Canadian National Institute for the Blind Ontario Division

\$37,200 over one year to better meet the needs of individuals in the Niagara District who are experiencing vision loss through programs, services and peer support groups.

Chorus Niagara

\$36,200 over two years to provide this community chorus in St. Catharines with administrative support and enable it to develop resources to continue to present quality performances to area residents and tourists.

Dante Lodge 19 Order of the Sons of Italy Welland Inc.

\$20,200 over one year to make this cultural and community centre accessible for people with disabilities by renovating kitchen and washroom facilities.

Fenwick Softball Association, Inc.

\$7,500 over one year to increase the number of children participating in recreational baseball by

developing and strengthening the organization's training program and providing participants with the skills needed to play the game.

Fort Erie Lions Senior Citizens Complex Inc.

\$25,000 over two years to promote existing programs and develop new programs to meet the needs of senior citizens in Fort Erie.

Fort Erie Multicultural Centre

\$12,300 over one year to develop, test, produce and distribute welcome kits containing relevant information for newcomers to Canada.

Grantham Lions Club

\$66,500 over four months to install lights at the Grantham Lions Club Soccer Sports Park to extend the time the facility may be safely used by the residents of St. Catharines.

Grimsby Auxiliary Marine Rescue Unit

\$4,900 over one year to improve the search and rescue capability of the unit by installing equipment that will enhance the ability to locate vessels in distress on Lake Ontario and allow for more accurate plotting of courses.

Grimsby Lawn Bowling Club c/o Ontario Lawn Bowls Association

\$11,000 over three months to repair the greens and purchase lawn bowling equipment so that members of the community will continue to be able to enjoy lawn bowling activities.

Information Niagara

\$59,600 over six months to assess program effectiveness and develop strategies to increase the participation of volunteers in providing relevant information and referral services for members of the region's diverse communities.

Jericho House, Youth Leadership, Justice and Spirituality Centre

\$24,900 over one year to support a major initiative to raise funds to build a community retreat centre for youth in the Niagara region.

Le Centre polyvalent des aînés francophones de Port Colborne

\$24,700 to renovate the washrooms and install a platform stairlift at the Port Colborne seniors' centre to make the facility accessible to people with disabilities.

Le Club de l'Amitié de l'Âge d'Or

\$5,800 over six months for musical equipment and supplies that will enable this community organization to offer theatre performances to francophone seniors in the Niagara region that address contemporary issues affecting them.

Le Club LaSalle

\$55,000 over nine months to restore and stabilize Walkers Creek in St. Catharines to prevent erosion and divert flows into Lake Ontario.

Master Gardeners of Niagara c/o Master Gardeners of Ontario Inc.

\$5,000 to organize a three-day outdoor garden show hosted by the St. Catharines group to promote horticulture and gardening in the community.

Morgan's Point Conservation Area c/o The Wainfleet Lions Club

\$75,000 over two years towards the restoration and preservation of Morgan's Point Conservation Area, increasing eco-tourism activities.

Niagara Falls Humane Society

\$88,100 over two years to develop the organization's volunteer management, outreach and humane education programs, increasing public awareness related to animal care.

Niagara Fathering Network c/o PORT CARES

\$35,000 over one year to support the Fathering Network, an initiative to enhance the parenting skills of fathers and strengthen father-child relationships.

Niagara German Canadian Club

\$9,500 over one year to replace the windows of a community facility in Niagara Falls that is used for a range of social and recreational activities in order to improve energy efficiency and reduce utility costs.

Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village Home of the United Church

\$42,800 over three years to purchase and maintain a vehicle that will be used to deliver the Satellite Meal Service Program, which brings food to the homes of people in need throughout the Niagara Region.

Niagara Pride

\$100,000 over two years for expansion and continued services of Niagara Pride, whose purpose is to improve the quality of life for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual and transgender youth.

Niagara Regional Agricultural Society

\$41,600 over one year to repair the main grandstand at the Niagara Regional Exhibition in Welland in order to enhance the safety and accessibility of the facility.

Niagara Regional Literacy Council

\$20,000 over one year to renovate the washrooms and purchase equipment for the St. Catharines facility to make it accessible and more effective and efficient in delivering literacy training to individuals in the community.

Niagara Speed Skating Club c/o Ontario Speed Skating Association

\$22,400 over one year to establish a speed skating club in Niagara that will enable more area children and youth to have skating opportunities.

Old St. John's (Stamford) Heritage Association

\$24,400 over one year for repairs to Old St. John's Church, which is a significant heritage building in Niagara Falls and also attracts tourists to the area.

Open Arms Mission Welland

\$22,500 over three years to support the Whole Milk Program, assisting children in acquiring proper nutrition in their diet.

Port Colborne Marine Auxiliary Rescue

\$56,600 over one year for water-based search and rescue equipment to enable this volunteer organization to promote safe boating and perform search and rescue operations.

Regional Niagara Fire Buffs Associates

\$50,000 over one year to replace a van used by the organization to provide on-site support and relief to emergency services personnel across Niagara.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 127

\$41,200 over six months to install a new heating and cooling system to provide a safer and more comfortable environment for people using this popular Grimsby community hall.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 393(South Grimsby)

\$6,700 over six months to make improvements to the electrical and lighting systems and to enhance the accessibility of this popular community facility in South Grimsby.

St. Alfred's Italian Catholic Centre

\$75,000 over one year to install an air conditioning system and accessible washrooms in this popular community facility in St. Catharines that is used for many social and recreational activities by area residents.

St. Andrews United Church - Niagara Falls

\$50,000 over six months to renovate washrooms of a community facility in Niagara Falls to make them accessible to people with disabilities. The building is used for social and community service activities.

St. Catharines & Area Arts Council

\$64,700 over 18 months to build the presence and profile of arts, culture and heritage resources in the St. Catharines and area community.

St. Clare Refugee Assistance Centre

\$10,100 over one year to make repairs and purchase office equipment for this Welland based centre in order to provide a safer environment for refugees and enhance service efficiency.

St. John Ambulance Niagara Falls Branch c/o St. John Council for Ontario

\$75,000 over one year to purchase a new mobile emergency first aid post which will enhance the health and safety of the Niagara Falls community.

St. Martin's Anglican Church

\$21,600 over four months towards roof repairs that will assist in maintaining a location within the community to service outreach programs.

Stamford Centre Volunteer Firemen's Association

\$75,000 over one year to make improvements to the theatre in Firemen's Park in Niagara Falls so that the facility and grounds will provide a safe and attractive venue for community events.

Stamford Skating Club

\$26,900 over one year to provide equipment for Niagara Falls and area youth who will be participating in synchronized skating teams that will be competing nationally and internationally.

Start Me Up Niagara

\$73,900 over one year to assist the St. Catharines organization in diversifying its funding sources so it can continue to provide services to help people in the community with mental health issues and those who are homeless.

The Boys and Girls Club of Niagara

\$52,500 over one year to build strategic relationships between agencies in the Niagara Region to identify service gaps and increase opportunities for at-risk youth in the community.

The Braemar Pipe Band Instrument & Uniform Acquisition Project c/o The Scottish Club of St. Catharines

\$33,600 over one year to provide uniforms for this popular drum and pipe band so that it can continue to perform at community events.

The British Methodist Episcopal Church Niagara Falls

\$75,000 over two years to assist in restoring and operating the R. Nathaniel Dett Memorial Chapel which sheltered slaves seeking freedom in Canada. This heritage building attracts tourists and includes a library about Canadian black history.

The Canadian Henley Rowing Corporation

\$12,500 to replace one boat in the St. Catharines fleet of referee boats, which will help provide more opportunities for individuals to participate in the sport.

The Children's Discovery Centre of Niagara Inc.

\$100,600 over two years to provide operational support that will strengthen management and enhance programs. The centre focuses on children's education and social development and will attract tourists through innovative environmental programming.

The Church of St. John the Evangelist (Niagara Falls)

\$30,000 over one year to renovate the washrooms of a popular Niagara Falls community facility so that they are accessible to people with limited mobility.

The Lakeside Park Community Skating Path Inc.

\$75,000 over one year to purchase an ice resurfacing machine to provide a safe outdoor skating environment for the community park in St. Catharines.

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, Niagara Peninsula Chapter of Hope c/o Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, Ontario Division

\$80,800 over two years to enable the organization to provide services for individuals and families affected by Multiple Sclerosis in the Niagara area while it carries out initiatives to sustain the programs.

The Navy League of Canada, Niagara Falls c/o The Navy League of Canada (Ontario Division)

\$45,200 over one year for sailing equipment to continue to provide sailing and training opportunities to Niagara Falls area youth.

The Optimist Club of Grantham St. Catharines, Ontario

\$75,000 over one year to provide wheelchair access, upgrade the kitchen and install new washrooms in the Optimist Youth Centre, a facility used for a variety of community activities.

The Port Colborne Operatic Society

\$8,100 over six months to enhance the quality of productions by adding live music, which also provides young musicians with the opportunity to learn and perform.

The Re-victimization Prevention Project c/o Welland District Association for Community Living

\$21,600 over one year to develop an interactive compact disk and human rights training program for persons with intellectual disabilities in order to help reduce the risk of victimization.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 479(Niagara Falls)

\$25,000 over two months to repair the roof of this Niagara Falls community facility that is used by many groups for social and recreational activities.

Venture Niagara Community Futures Development Corporation

\$25,000 over three months to undertake a study of the arts and culture sector in Welland that is intended to generate innovative community-wide arts and culture tourism strategies.

Wainfleet Skating Club

\$15,100 over one year to increase membership by purchasing equipment necessary to build skills and promote a healthy recreation activity for children.

Welland Historical Museum

\$66,000 over two years to enable the museum to preserve and promote Welland's heritage by completing an analysis and reorganization of its collections and making them available to the public through programs and displays.

Welland Raiders Minor Lacrosse Association

\$11,200 over five months to continue to provide and expand access to safe and affordable minor box lacrosse to the youth of Welland.

Welland-Port Colborne Concert Association

\$32,100 over three years for operating support to promote and administer a community concert series which brings classical, popular and jazz music to the community and attracts tourists to the area.

West Niagara Palliative Care Services

\$30,500 over three years to provide training to enhance the skills of palliative care volunteers, prepare them for future growth, and support them in meeting the needs of terminally ill people living in West Niagara.

WinterFest of Greater Fort Erie

\$84,200 over two years to support WinterFest in Fort Erie, which brings eight weeks of winter fun to residents and tourists, as it develops and implements strategies to enhance the event.

Working Group on Mental Health Services for Diverse Ethno-Racial and Cultural Communities in Niagara c/o Design For New Tomorrow

\$81,000 over 39 months to support a mentorship program and educate mental health service workers so that they will be better equipped to meet the needs of culturally diverse clients throughout the Niagara area.

World Canals Conference 2004 (Niagara) Inc.

\$22,500 over six months to showcase the Welland Canal and other Niagara area sites by supporting events and other marketing initiatives that will promote local heritage and attract tourists.

YWCA of St. Catharines

\$84,100 over two years to strengthen the organization so that it can continue to improve the quality of life for all women in the community by assisting them with employment, health and well-being.

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Approved by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on March 2, 2005

Allanburg Community Centre Renovation Project c/o Corporation of the City of Thorold

\$37,500 over one year to upgrade the electrical, heating and air conditioning systems in the centre, ensuring safety and compliance to building codes. This will allow greater social and recreational use of the building by more community groups.

Centre de santé communautaire Hamilton-Wentworth-Niagara

\$23,100 over one year to develop programs, recruit volunteers and provide workshops and training. This will help raise awareness of the centre and its health-promotion and illness-prevention services to francophone youth and newcomers in the community.

Corporation of the Town of Pelham

\$65,000 over one year to purchase software and equipment, train staff and convert the library's database to a new automated system. This will increase the community's access to local and provincial information and resources.

Employment Help Centre/Réseau Emploi

\$34,100 over one year to purchase new computer equipment and set up new systems, which will help increase outreach to different ethnocultural groups, agencies and employers and improve services to targeted skilled newcomers.

The J. Singers Choir

\$13,500 over three years to purchase music and uniforms and acquire rehearsal space. This will encourage membership and enable this seniors choir to continue rehearsing and entertaining throughout Niagara.

Niagara Falls Ringette Association c/o Ontario Ringette Association

\$20,000 over one year to purchase equipment, develop skill-enhancing programs and promote the association. This will raise awareness of and increase participation in ringette, promoting recreation and healthy lifestyles for children and young people.

Niagara Varsity Football Club

\$40,000 over one year to purchase equipment for player safety and field training in order to establish a senior varsity football team. This will attract sponsors and promote healthy activity for young people aged 17 to 19 years in the community.

Pelham Cares Inc.

\$47,900 over three years to purchase equipment and develop a program that will create an accessible food depot in the community. This will provide emergency food and urgently needed transportation for medical treatment and emergencies.

Port Colborne Social and Recreation Centre for Senior Citizens

\$28,000 over one year to develop and promote programs for seniors in the community. This will help encourage recreation, reduce isolation and promote healthy activity for seniors in the area.

The Port Colborne Tennis Club

\$21,300 over one year to resurface four tennis courts, providing a safe, friendly and affordable sporting environment for players of all ages and all levels of play, while encouraging healthy lifestyles through active participation in tennis.

The Robert Wood Singers

\$5,000 to purchase a riser and digital piano. This will provide safe staging and better quality musical programs, helping to increase audiences, attract new members and increase the number of performances in the Niagara region.

Shaw Festival Theatre Foundation, Canada

\$94,500 over two years to plan and deliver a new Student Education Programme in the Niagara area, which will increase students' attendance at the theatre, help develop interest and improve their knowledge about how theatre works.

Approved by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on December 10, 2004

Community Living Port Colborne-Wainfleet

\$75,000 over one year to install air conditioning and a supplemental heating system in this community facility that provides educational and recreational programs for Port Colborne area residents.

Gateway Residential and Community Support Services of Niagara Inc.

\$101,600 over two years to support volunteer development and fund generation initiatives of this Welland-based organization that provides housing services to disadvantaged individuals throughout the Niagara Region.

Greater Fort Erie Minor Hockey Association

\$25,000 over one year to support a mentoring and training program for volunteers and players participating in minor hockey.

Grimsby Curling Club

\$9,200 over one year to replace the furnace and air conditioner of this community facility that provides curling opportunities for the residents of Grimsby.

Heartland Forest Nature Experience

\$75,000 over one year to expand the existing barrier-free nature trail and develop an outdoor education facility in this protected Carolinian forest in Niagara Falls.

The Heidelberg-Rheingold Singers c/o Club Rheingold

\$8,000 over one year to purchase equipment and uniforms for this Port Colborne area choral group which will enhance community performances.

Mildred M. Mahoney Silver Jubilee Dolls House Foundation

\$40,000 over one year to launch the Victorian Christmas celebration and support the restoration of the Mildred Mahoney Dollhouse Museum at Bertie Hall on the Niagara River Parkway in Fort Erie.

Niagara Child and Youth Services

\$58,200 over two years to support volunteer development and marketing activities of this St. Catharines-based organization so that it can continue to serve children and youth with mental illness throughout the Niagara Region.

Niagara Falls Rainbow Blind Bowlers

\$24,000 over one year to purchase a van that will provide transportation for people who are blind or have visual impairments so that they are able to participate in recreational activities and keep medical appointments.

Niagara Mentoring and Leadership Initiative c/o Information Niagara Inc.

\$144,100 over three years to support this St. Catharines-based organization in strengthening not-for-profit agencies in the Niagara Region by providing mentoring, peer support, strategic planning and training assistance.

Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre

\$54,000 over two years to enable this St. Catharines-based centre to provide at-risk youth and new immigrants with understandable information about how to avoid and prevent sexual abuse.

Ontario Special Olympics Inc.

\$46,500 over one year to support activities that will promote local volunteer recruitment and contribute to the ongoing development of Special Olympic athletes in the Niagara Region.

Peterson Community Workshop Association (Chippawa)

\$75,600 over two years to assist artists of all ages and abilities in gaining news skills and displaying their work and to provide people with physical and intellectual disabilities with opportunities for skills development and socialization.

West Niagara Second Stage Housing and Counselling Inc.

\$6,000 over one year to purchase furniture, equipment and information resources for this Grimsby-based organization that supports women and children leaving violent family situations.

Approved by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on October 1, 2004

Les Aînés canadiens-français de St.Catharines Inc.

\$25,000 over two years to promote healthy and active lifestyles through recreational activities, physical exercise and general health education session to the seniors in the francophone community of St. Catharines.

ARID Group Homes Niagara

\$71,500 over three years to support this group home for people with addictions, which provides a healthy environment for participants, by renovating the facility and enabling the organization to expand its donor base.

Big Brothers & Sisters of St.

Catharines - Thorold and District

\$60,000 over two years to launch the Life Skills Mentoring program which helps young people aged 11 to 16 make better life choices and to enhance family and peer communications.

Carnegie Commons Team c/o The Grimsby Historical Society

\$75,000 to renovate this historical Carnegie building in Grimsby to create a safe, vibrant and functional community centre that houses three local non-profit organizations.

Chevaliers de Colomb Conseil 8296

\$58,100 to restore this historical community building located in Welland.

Evergreen Singers of Niagara Inc., The

\$26,800 over 18 months to stage the opera production of Amahl and the Night Visitors in Niagara-on-the-Lake and enable this community choir to purchase a piano and sound system.

Goodwill Industries Niagara

\$75,000 over one year to develop the Niagara Career Trades Centre, a program that will address skills shortages in Niagara while creating employment opportunities for immigrants, workers over 40, at-risk youth and other disadvantaged groups.

Human Rights Project c/o Community Living Welland Pelham

\$225,000 over three years to support the development of human rights information and training for families and family home providers who are supporting children, youth and adults with intellectual disabilities.

The Ontario Council for the Order of St. John - Welland/Port Colborne Branch c/o St. John Council for Ontario

\$60,000 over one year to increase the effectiveness of St. John Ambulance, Welland branch and provide the communities of Welland, Pelham, Wainfleet and Port Colborne with a safer, more accessible emergency response system.

Paroisse St-Jean-de-Brébeuf

\$70,000 to renovate the Salle Brébeuf, the community hall of the Parish St-Jean-de-Brébeuf of Port Colborne.

Renovations include the installation of new wall coverings, flooring and ceiling.

Pelham Township Marching Band Stakeholder Group c/o The Rotary Club of Fonthill

\$50,000 over one year to enhance and sustain this local marching band located in Fonthill by replacing its outdated musical instruments.

Royal Canadian Legion Meritton Branch 138

\$13,000 over one year to make this community hall located in St. Catharines safe by ensuring that it meet fire safety codes.

Shrine of Our Lady of Peace

\$12,200 over one year to preserve this historical building located in Niagara Falls and to ensure its safety and accessibility for the thousands of visitors each year.

St. Catharines Art Association

\$3,000 over one year to assist this arts association in St. Catharines in attracting new members and promoting visual art by purchasing a sound system and projector.

Approved by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on June 24, 2004

Epilepsy Niagara c/o Epilepsy Ontario

\$100,000 over two years to establish a Niagara chapter of Epilepsy Ontario to improve the quality of life for people with epilepsy through awareness, education and support services.

The Fergie Jenkins Foundation Inc.

\$20,000 over one year to establish a website and permanent office for the organization, which provides financial support to Niagara-based not-for-profit organizations.

Glenridge Lawn Bowling Club

\$5,600 over one year to purchase mats for indoor lawn bowling to provide year-round bowling opportunities and increase membership at the St. Catharines club.

Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara

\$22,400 over one year to purchase technical equipment and develop a plan for increasing funds so that the organization can continue to offer programs and services for children, youth and adults with learning disabilities.

Lincoln Community Against Violence

\$36,300 over two years to strengthen the Women's Resource Centre to recruit and train volunteers to better meet the needs of women and their children in West Niagara.

Literacy Council of Niagara West

\$45,000 over three years to establish a multi-resource centre to provide local residents with access to computer training, literacy programs and training in other skills that will lead to employability or benefit the community.

Mackenzie Heritage Printery Museum (Ontario)

\$12,400 over one year to preserve Canada's printing heritage by assisting the Queenston museum to catalogue artifacts and produce a video demonstrating the lithography process.

Mainstream: An Unsheltered Workshop

\$75,000 to renovate a new location in St. Catharines to accommodate an expanding consumer base and provide increased and accessible learning opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to enhance their independent living skills.

Niagara Community Foundation

\$28,100 over three years to organize and implement the Best Practices in Sustainability Conference and enhance philanthropy in Niagara by building the internal capacity of the Foundation, ensuring that the needs of the community are met.

Niagara Falls Badminton, Tennis & Lawn Bowling Club

\$47,500 to renovate and insulate the sports club to ensure a sound recreational facility for use by the community.

Ontario Lacrosse Hall of Fame & Museum

\$51,100 over two years to upgrade the St. Catharines facility and revitalize its exhibits according to Ontario Museum Association standards in order to preserve the historical and cultural heritage of lacrosse in Canada.

Opportunities Niagara c/o Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold

\$195,000 over three years to establish collaboration with a number of sectors to develop effective strategies and procedures to improve the quality of life for people living in poverty in Niagara.

Protection Hose Company No. 1

\$25,000 over one year to purchase new parade uniforms and equipment for this 150-year-old volunteer firefighter precision marching drill team in Thorold.

Township of West Lincoln

\$75,000 over one year to repair the roofs of three community centres in Smithville, Wellandport and Caistor to meet the social and recreational needs of the residents of these communities.

The Welland Community Resource and Action Centre

\$51,500 over one year to purchase furnishings, appliances and office and maintenance equipment to establish an emergency hostel for homeless people in Welland.

Young Carers Initiative Niagara c/o Alzheimer Society of Niagara Region

\$133,500 over two years to identify the needs of young people who are caring for individuals with a chronic disability or illness and to develop programs and services that respond to those needs.

Niagara

2005-2006

November 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on March 2, 2006

Alphabétisation familiale en transition vers l'employabilité a/s ABC Communautaire

\$45,000 over one year to offer a Francophone family-literacy program in Niagara, which will allow adult parents to acquire the necessary skills to find and sustain employment.

Authority Watershed Natural Heritage Areas Inventory Project c/o Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

\$100,000 over two years to undertake the Natural Areas Inventory and Computerised Database Project. This will provide an important ecological, scientifically defensible basis for protecting natural areas in the NPCA watershed.

Caistorville Neighbourhood Events Committee

\$10,400 over one year to provide in the library a community space within and outside library hours. It will be used for social and recreational meetings, literacy, tutoring and after-school programs.

Canadian Chamber Academy

\$93,500 over three years to build its organizational capacity, develop a business and fundraising plan and grow the chamber music festival in Niagara.

Canadian Henley Rowing Corporation

\$70,000 over two years to employ a marketing co-ordinator who will assist in developing and implementing a project plan for the sport of rowing and the Henley Regatta in St. Catharines.

Chippawa Lions Club

\$14,100 over six months to replace playground equipment in the community park, increasing its safety and use by the community.

Commonplace Eco-Village Project Niagara

\$32,400 over one year to conduct a feasibility study, hold community forums and develop a five-year business plan for the establishment of an eco-village in Niagara.

The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

\$50,000 over one year to improve accessibility, expand the seating capacity and upgrade information technology in the computer-training facility of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Public Library.

Grimsby Minor Hockey Association

\$57,000 over one year to improve the affordability, availability, quality and efficiency of minor hockey by increasing revenues through the implementation of fundraising ventures.

'I CAN' Therapeutic Equestrian Riding Association of Niagara, Inc.

\$25,000 over six months to develop a farm master plan that will be used to enhance environmental, economic and social sustainability. This will outline ways to create relevant programming and increase non-traditional partnerships.

Niagara Olympic Wrestling Club

\$69,000 over two years to hire a women's program coach and a club manager, who will enhance operating effectiveness and increase female participation rates.

Red Roof Retreat

\$132,400 over two years to provide respite opportunities in the Niagara region by operating a five-bed respite program for children and youth with special needs.

Rose City Seniors Centre Foundation

\$60,000 over one year to revitalize this well-used seniors community centre in Welland. Recipients will establish a computer lab, upgrade fitness equipment and enhance the lounge and dining facilities, making it safer and accessible.

St. Catharines Ladies Softball League

\$13,000 over one year to enhance girls/women participation rates in the sport of softball. New playing/training equipment will be acquired and clinics for volunteers, coaches and players will be hosted.

Thorold Public Library Board

\$50,000 over one year to upgrade the current system's hardware and software, providing on-line access. Library staff will be trained. This will remove geographical and transportation barriers associated with coming into the library.

July 1 deadline

Approved by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on November 1st, 2005

Aereo Gymnastics Club

\$25,000 to purchase a spring floor designed to ensure a safer tumbling surface for recreational and competitive gymnasts at this gymnastics club located in Welland.

Autism Society Ontario - Niagara Region Chapter c/o Autism Society Ontario

\$2,900 to organize and conduct a seven-week course for parents and caregivers of children with autism spectrum disorders in the St. Catharines area, which will teach them how to help their children to overcome severe behaviour problems.

Corporation of the Township of Wainfleet

\$49,200 over one year to renovate the library, purchase furniture and equipment and increase its capacity to serve as a community gathering place, providing a safer and more efficient space.

Early Childhood Community Development Centre

\$65,300 over one year to purchase materials and cover costs of a children's early literacy development program that uses volunteers to deliver new books and read and interact with groups of children at 133 licensed child care centres in Niagara.

The Gallery Players of Niagara

\$19,900 over two years to purchase equipment and the necessary expertise in order to create a substantial web presence and network hub for chamber music lovers in the Niagara Region and beyond.

Garden City Productions

\$11,800 over six months to renovate the washroom facilities at Garden City Productions rehearsal and production hall in St. Catharines.

Greek Orthodox Church of St. Catharines and District

\$67,400 over three years to produce an annual Greek festival in Niagara that will showcase Greek traditions, arts and cuisine, increase tourism and provide steady revenue for the Greek community.

Land Care Niagara

\$89,000 over two years for the Niagara Eco Program, which removes barriers to community participation and provides skills training to volunteer work crews while assisting local organizations with environmental projects.

Niagara German Canadian Club

\$50,500 over one year to purchase and install lights on the club's soccer field, which will extend its hours of operation, to enhance skills development for boys, girls, men and women.

Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre

\$60,200 over 18 months to support the Kids on the Block program, a puppet performance that promotes children's and the public's education, awareness and acceptance of children with special needs, allowing them to participate comfortably in the community.

Niagara Pride Support Services

\$102,000 over two years to continue training volunteers and community groups to help deal with and meet the needs of the increasing number of young people within the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and questioning community.

Niagara Region Children's Safety Village

\$150,000 over two years to continue the operation of this children's safety organization in Welland, while building its capacity to increase revenue sources and sustain operations.

Niagara-on-the-Lake Conservancy Society

\$30,000 over six months to erect an on-site interpretative exhibit at the homestead of Loyalist founder Colonel John Butler (1728-1796), showcasing the life and times of this founding father of Upper Canada.

Port Colborne Heritage & Tourism Joint Venture c/o South Niagara Community Futures Development Corporation

\$37,500 over one year to restore designated heritage components of the Roselawn Centre, an historic building that is a focal point for tourism, arts, culture and economic development in the city of Port Colborne.

St. Catharines Curling Club

\$12,500 to purchase new equipment for youth participants and host curling clinics to help improve the skills and techniques of all children in the program.

St. Columba Anglican Church

\$20,000 over one year to renovate the parking lot entrance, and purchase and install automatic doors at each entrance to this well-used community hall in St. Catharines, making it safer and more accessible.

St. John's Stevensville United Church

\$26,400 to help transform an older church building in Stevensville into a community heritage facility. This restored heritage icon will facilitate the presentation of drama, artwork and heritage displays with local museums and historical societies.

Thorold Community Activities Group

\$58,800 over one year to purchase and install an elevating device, providing accessibility for all at the proposed multi-purpose community centre located in Thorold.

Township of West Lincoln

\$45,600 over one year to install automatic door openers and barrier-free circulation desks at the Caistorville and Smithville library branches and provide shelving at the Caistorville branch, which will improve access and service to the community.

Winter Festival of Lights

\$55,200 over six months to upgrade office technology and develop a new mascot show in order to attract more attendees, sponsors and publicity for the Niagara Winter Festival of Lights.

Women's Place of South Niagara Inc.

\$50,000 over one year to purchase technology and equipment, which will increase the organization's efficiency and effectiveness, enabling it to provide high-quality, professional support services to women and their children who are victims of abuse.

March 1 deadline

Approved by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on June 29, 2005

The Beachcombers Senior Citizen Association

\$27,000 over one year to improve access and upgrade the furnace and the air conditioning system, improving the comfort of this centre for social, recreational and cultural activities for seniors and other groups in the Ridgeway community.

Beamsville Senior Citizens' Club

\$4,700 to provide this seniors' club in Beamsville with a portable piano and sound system to enhance recreational activities for seniors.

Big Brothers Big Sisters Agencies of the Niagara Region c/o Niagara Falls Big Brothers Big Sisters Association Inc.

\$23,400 over one year to provide the technologies needed for the Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies across the Niagara region to deliver more effective and efficient programming.

Boy Scouts of Canada

\$7,500 over six months in order to support scouting volunteers hosting a commemorative event in Niagara from September 16 to 18, 2005, honouring the 50th anniversary of the first World Boy Scout Jamboree.

Business Education Council of Niagara

\$36,000 over one year to develop and apply the community infrastructure needed to promote early childhood development, which will coordinate early years programming and ensure its seamless delivery across the region.

Carousel Players

\$108,000 over three years to hire an outreach coordinator who will assist in strengthening organizational capacity, enhance programs, develop new audiences and increase volunteer activities in St. Catharines-Niagara.

City of Port Colborne

\$75,000 over one year to provide programming, technology and presentation and research equipment at the new Heritage Research Archives centre based at the Port Colborne Historical Museum.

Club The Netherlands Inc.

\$8,700 over one year towards the creation and publishing of a book documenting the history of Club The Netherlands and Dutch culture in Niagara.

Fort Erie Lafrance Association

\$20,000 over six months to install new roofing for the building, which displays/stores antique artefacts and firefighting equipment and to establish a website promoting the antique firefighting museum.

The Friends of Fort George National Historic Park, Inc.

\$47,800 over one year to purchase historical uniforms for the Fife and Drum Corps, continuing its involvement in heritage awareness events and stewardship programming.

James St. Arts Cluster Alliance c/o St. Catharines and Area Arts Council

\$51,200 over one year to provide administrative and production space for artists and arts organizations, creating a critical mass of artistic activity in downtown St. Catharines.

Lake Erie Shore Branch Navy League of Canada c/o The Navy League of Canada (Ontario Division)

\$36,500 over six months towards renovations which will enhance the safety and operating efficiencies of the Navy League Erie Branch training facility.

Legacy Resource Partners c/o Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Niagara

\$92,400 over 18 months to bring together similar small groups throughout the Niagara region to address long-term sustainability through the development of and investment in endowment and planned-giving programs.

Marshville Heritage Society Inc.

\$48,000 over 26 months to expand the school tours that come to the Marshville Heritage Village in Southern Ontario to learn about the life of pioneers and to create a program that can be physically brought into the classroom in wintertime.

Mayholme Foundation

\$42,900 over one year to purchase specialized equipment to support the collection, archiving, preservation and dissemination of historical information related to Niagara's heritage.

Nappers Boxing Club

\$25,000 over six months to repair the roof and purchase training equipment for this boxing/fitness facility serving disadvantaged youth in Welland.

Niagara Artists Company

\$69,000 over two years to increase organizational effectiveness, generate and diversify revenues and develop diverse community relationships through the hiring of a community relations facilitator.

Niagara Regional Minor Football Association

\$47,000 to assist with equipment replacement costs related to creating a safe playing environment for this regional minor football organization.

Niagara River Restoration Council (NRC)

\$119,200 over two years to increase and protect Carolinian forest cover in Niagara, building wildlife corridors to connect existing forest fragments within the Fifteen, Sixteen and Eighteen Mile Creek watersheds.

Niagara Warriors Minor Lacrosse

\$7,200 toward equipment and clinics in order to help establish a field lacrosse program in Niagara on the Lake.

The Peace Bridge Newcomer's Centre

\$150,000 over two years to encourage newcomers to remain in Niagara by creating an integrated and coordinated approach that will link them to existing supports and services in a timely and effective manner.

Port Colborne & District Conservation Club

\$2,600 to ensure a sustainable colony of terns in Port Colborne by enhancing and enlarging the current nesting area of this threatened bird.

Tourism of Welland Niagara (T.O.W.N.)

\$50,000 over one year to improve the economic base and recreational value of the City of Welland and the region by expanding the Niagara Food Festival.

Welland/Pelham Chamber of Commerce

\$29,000 over one year for a needs assessment, start-up and operational plan for a special events resource centre, which will supply rural and urban organizations with equipment, assistance, training and expertise in managing special events.

Niagara

2006-2007

November 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on March 7, 2007

Artistic Energy Gymnastics Club

\$75,000 over six months to purchase safety mats and gymnastics equipment. These purchases will help improve the safety and quality of participation for recreational and competitive gymnasts in St. Catharines.

Benevolent Society "Heidehof" for the Care of the Aged

75,000 over one year to upgrade the organization's pool, which is used by more than 230 community members annually for exercise and fitness programs. Improvements will help to maintain the health and wellness of seniors in the St. Catharines community.

Bethesda Home for the Mentally Handicapped Inc.

\$51,500 over three years to purchase equipment as well as plan and organize a community choir in the Niagara Region. Skill development will be enhanced and an outlet for musical expression provided for adults with developmental disabilities.

Centre Polyvalent des Aînés Francophones de Port Colborne

\$46,500 over two years for a full-time co-ordinator to recruit and train young volunteers. This will enable 24 monthly workshops to be delivered, increasing the knowledge, health and engagement of the elderly Francophone population of Port Colborne.

Club LaSalle

\$54,800 over 18 months to renovate the centre and offer a series of events to celebrate its 50th anniversary. The program will help to instill a sense of pride and accomplishment among Francophones in St. Catharines.

Club 2000 Niagara Inc.

\$74,500 over two years for program costs and the expertise to help develop agriculture-tourism-based ventures. These initiatives will strengthen farmers' economic health in Niagara.

Epilepsy Niagara

\$120,000 over three years for program costs and volunteer training to implement an epilepsy education program in the Niagara region. Focus will be on educating schools and the community to help improve quality of life for people with epilepsy.

Fonthill Rotary Club Foundation

\$32,200 over one year for sound equipment and promotional materials for the outdoor summer concert and the Sunday Arts in Park series. These events will help promote culture, art and entertainment activities for the entire community in Pelham.

Fort Erie Community YMCA

\$14,100 over six months to purchase new equipment for indoor and outdoor physical activities, helping promote and establish healthy active lifestyles for children in the community.

Fort Erie Festival

\$124,800 over three years for program costs and promotional materials for the Fort Erie Friendship Festival. This event promotes Canadian culture and heritage while attracting tourists and celebrating the city's historical relationship with the USA.

Glendale Day Care

\$23,000 over six months for flooring, central air conditioning and upgrades to this St. Catharines day care centre. These improvements will help create a safer, healthier environment for young learners to reach their full potential.

Lake Erie Shore Branch Navy League of Canada c/o The Navy League of Canada (Ontario Division)

\$11,200 over one year to repair the foundation of the organization's facility in Port Colborne, enabling youth learning programs to continue in a healthy environment.

Music on the Henley

\$8,000 over one year to establish the Port Dalhousie International Jazz Festival on Henley Island in St. Catharines. The three-day celebration will help promote Canadian jazz, attract world musicians and expand cultural activities in Niagara Region.

Niagara Chapter - Native Women Inc.

\$99,000 over three years for the resources and skills to strengthen the organization's ability to offer programs and services. New, culture-specific programs for urban Aboriginal women in the Niagara area will also be promoted.

Niagara Falls Nature Club

\$4,800 over six months to purchase a digital projector and computer for better educational presentations, data collection and overall administration. Improvements will help the club promote a better understanding of the local natural history.

Niagara Girls Minor Softball Association

\$38,700 over one year to purchase new softball and computer equipment. Player and coach development will receive better support, improving general operations and public relations for this recreational activity for girls aged four to 19 years.

Niagara Hindu Samaj

\$48,400 over three years for equipment, promotional material and instruments to expand programming in the Hindi language and Indian music, cooking and culture in Niagara Falls, particularly for children and seniors.

Niagara Historical Society

\$23,300 over eight months to develop a research room and support services that will be used by the community and visiting researchers. This will increase knowledge and public awareness of the history of the Niagara Region.

Niagara Wasps Rugby Football Club

\$5,800 over one year to purchase sports equipment that will assist in providing an affordable rugby program and promote physical fitness for children and youth aged four to 18 years in the community.

Pelham Tennis Association c/o The Corporation of the Town of Pelham

\$14,500 over one year to purchase sports and computer equipment that will help improve the facilities of the Pelham Tennis Association. These purchases will enable more young people to participate in healthy physical activity.

Port Colborne Marine Auxiliary Rescue

\$21,600 over one year to develop a long-term business plan and acquire safety equipment in order to promote safe boating and perform search and rescue functions originating from Port Colborne.

Stamford Centre Volunteer Firemen's Association

\$62,500 over one year for signage, building repairs and portable equipment to improve park facilities in Niagara Falls. This will enhance safety and recreation and leisure activities for everyone in the community.

The Winter Club of St. Catharines

\$11,600 over one year to purchase office and training technology that will enhance operating efficiencies, external communications and the development of participant skills.

Twenty Valley Tourism Association

\$8,100 over six months to purchase office technology and equipment that will enable this organization to continue and improve its support services to heritage, agricultural and environmental tourism in West Niagara.

July 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on October 26, 2006

Adolescent's Family Support Services of Niagara

\$35,000 over one year for repairs to the building roof, enabling it to maintain services in Welland to young families pursuing an education thanks to the provision of quality childcare and other necessary services.

Aerial Experiment Association 2005

\$16,700 over two years to build a flying replica of Canada's first airplane, the Silver Dart, in Niagara. It will be displayed at community events and ultimately placed in a museum where presentations detailing Canadian aviation history can be offered.

Alzheimer Society of Niagara Region

\$64,000 over two years toward a program designed to address the cognitive, psycho-social, emotional and educational needs of people with disabilities associated with the early stages of dementia.

Association Canadienne Française du Niagara

\$90,000 over two years to support positive youth engagement with a youth forum, as well as a community leadership initiative with training for board members from Francophone organizations in Niagara.

The British Methodist Episcopal Church, Niagara Falls

\$63,000 over three years to hire an assistant and implement its Black Canadian History development program, expanding services and increasing public access to educational materials, workshops and training.

Canadian Mental Health Association, Association Canadienne Pour La Santé Mentale, Niagara Branch

\$180,000 over three years to establish a community economic development welding enterprise called Home and Garden Ornamental Ironworks, which will be operated by people living with mental health issues.

The Children's Discovery Centre of Niagara Inc.

\$84,000 over two years to hire a volunteer co-ordinator to increase and maintain the number of volunteers needed to help with the new Amazing Body Gallery programming.

City of Port Colborne

\$37,900 over six months to purchase new equipment and conduct facility upgrades to the library, which will improve access to circulation and computer services for community members.

Corporation of the Town of Pelham

\$65,000 over one year to develop the trail system in Fonthill as a continuous loop, and improve the physical condition of the existing trail, increasing public access and usage of the system.

Hospice Niagara

\$150,000 over two years to obtain the skills needed to lead and oversee the transition to the new hospice and manage client care. A new co-ordinator will also plan and manage ongoing operations of the residential hospice at the new centre.

Niagara Falls Big Brothers Big Sisters Association Inc.

\$20,000 over 18 months to implement phase two of a pilot program. This will expand an in-school mentoring program that matches

seniors from Coronation 50 Plus with children and youth in three Niagara Falls schools.

Niagara Regional Athletics

\$30,000 over one year to purchase track and field equipment, which will enhance performance and safety and allow athletes to train and compete in a variety of track and field events.

Niagara Regional Literacy Council

\$25,100 over one year to increase the staffing level, which will enable the council to operate group-learning sessions in order to meet increasing demands for literacy support and literacy training.

The Niagara Symphony Association

\$63,200 over three years to improve subscriber service, develop a new member/donor program, and engage new audiences through improved design and information delivery via a website.

St. Catharines Minor Hockey Association

\$60,000 over two years to support the development and evaluation of a pilot program to enhance fitness and performance as a part of each child/youth's development. The ultimate goal is to increase speed, agility, performance and overall fitness.

St. Catharines Ringette Association

\$13,300 over one year to increase the number of young girls playing ringette in the City of St. Catharines by raising awareness of the sport, enhancing skill development and purchasing goalie equipment.

Tourisme Franco-Niagara c/o Venture Niagara Community Futures Development Corporation

\$47,800 over one year to highlight the importance of keeping the Francophone community's culture and language through the Bonjour Campaign, and by helping identify bilingual positions in Niagara's service sector.

March 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on June 29, 2006

613 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps c/o Army Cadet League of Canada (Ontario)

\$12,200 over one year to increase physical activity for youth across Niagara through the purchase of canoeing equipment.

Bethlehem Not-For-Profit Housing Projects of Niagara

\$85,100 over 30 months to select and ensure that tenants of this 40-unit low-income housing development have the necessary skills and supports to become self-sufficient and increase the quality of living for themselves and their families.

Binational Doors Open Niagara Project c/o Binational Tourism Alliance (BTA)

\$30,000 over two years to provide community support for planning, administering, managing volunteers and marketing this event. The public will be provided with free access and cultural education to many of Niagara's most significant buildings.

Club Roma

\$32,000 over one year to purchase equipment needed to support growth in the youth soccer program in west St. Catharines.

Community Living Port Colborne-Wainfleet

\$125,500 over three years to provide parents, volunteers, agencies, businesses and service clubs in Port Colborne and Wainfleet with the skills to integrate the principles of asset building into their programming and approaches to youth at risk.

Dalhousie Yacht Club

\$35,300 over six months towards the purchase of a safety boat, an access dingy and two recreational sailboats to support the Learn to Sail program in Niagara.

The Foundation of Resources for Teens

\$10,000 over one year to develop a comprehensive five-year strategic plan, which will assist with long-term planning for this organization in the Grimsby-Lincoln area.

Habitat for Humanity Niagara

\$65,000 over one year to provide Habitat for Humanity with the necessary equipment to increase operational efficiencies and sales in the ReStore.

Heartland Forest Nature Experience

\$69,000 over two years to provide barrier-free outdoor recreational and educational opportunities in the Niagara area through the Forest Discovery Program and the expansion of the accessible trail network.

Niagara Falls Curling Club

\$38,200 over six months to repair the roof of the club facility in order to maintain curling programs and promote physical activity for people of all ages and abilities.

Niagara Integrated Community Planning Project c/o Peace Bridge New Comers Centre

\$20,000 to conduct a feasibility study to determine the need for an integrated community planning model in the Niagara Region.

Niagara West Community Hospice

\$131,500 over two years to co-ordinate the development and start-up of a residential community hospice in Niagara West.

Pelham Soccer Club Inc.

\$10,000 over six months to provide this soccer club with appropriate quality equipment, enhancing the performance, experience and satisfaction of 850 players.

Port Dalhousie Lions Club

\$50,000 over one year to sustain and enhance the long-term viability of the community centre by installing a new roof.

The School of Restoration Arts at Willowbank>

\$114,000 over two years to support the ongoing development and establishment of the School Master Program in Queenston, which will teach arts and skills related to preserving and restoring historical buildings.

Start Me Up Niagara

\$60,000 over two years to establish a volunteer management program that engages people with mental health disabilities. Their levels of sufficiency will improve through increased employability, better health and greater social interaction.

West Niagara Family Centre Inc.

\$19,600 over one year to support parent education programs, early literacy training and the development of a parent resource library.

Niagara

2007-2008

November 1 deadline

The Community grants listed below were ratified on March 6, 2008.

The Boys and Girls Club of Niagara

\$150,000 over two years for program supervision, transportation and administration to launch a club in St. Catharines. It will provide recreational, educational and social programs and activities for children at risk in an underserved area.

Community Care - St. Catharines and Thorold

\$15,000 over six months to enhance community awareness, increase visibility and generate additional revenue to meet the organization's needs so it can continue to provide basic necessities to community members living in poverty.

Family Violence - It's Everybody's Business Project c/o Women's Place of South Niagara Inc.

\$113,000 over three years to roll-out and implement a workplace toolkit and training program, which will help reduce the economic impact of family violence in the community.

Filipino Canadian Association of Niagara

\$6,000 over six months to purchase recreational and culinary equipment and folk dancing props that the organization will use to promote Filipino cultural programs in Niagara.

Fort Erie Arts Council

\$69,000 over 18 months to cover operational expenses, which will allow the organization to deliver more artistic activities and offer more programs, increasing opportunities for new artists and community members to be exposed to art.

The Foundation of Resources for Teens (FORT)

\$97,500 over three years to hire a resource development manager who will support organizational capacity-building initiatives so that FORT can deliver critical services and programs to vulnerable youth in West Niagara.

The Grimsby Pipe Band

\$10,000 over one year to purchase costumes and musical instruments, which will help improve performances and enhance the drum and pipe band's image throughout the community of Grimsby.

Grimsby Skating Club

\$14,600 over one year to purchase a sound system and jumping harness, which will enhance the quality and improve the safety of skater training in Grimsby.

Information Niagara Inc.

\$112,500 over 18 months to provide operational support to 211 Niagara, the easy-to-remember, three-digit phone number that provides access to non-emergency social, community and government services in Niagara Region.

Lincoln Garden Club and Horticultural Society

\$6,500 over six months to renovate the Lincoln Millennium Forest pathway and install two benches, which will make it more accessible to seniors and people of all abilities.

Niagara 1812 Bicentennial Legacy Council Corporation

\$75,000 over one year to co-ordinate a bicentennial celebration in Niagara Region. The festival will feature a full spectrum of events and activities to mark the 200th anniversary of the war of 1812.

Niagara International Green Arts Festival c/o Niagara Natural World Film Festival

\$130,000 over two years to plan and co-ordinate this festival in Niagara-on-the-Lake in 2009. The event will use film to explore social and ecological issues and act as a catalyst for awareness, discussion and action on the environment.

Niagara Olympic Club of St. Catharines

\$57,600 over nine months to repair the track and purchase track and field equipment, which will enhance performance and safety and allow athletes to train and compete in a variety of track and field events.

Niagara Wetlands Partnership c/o Ducks Unlimited

\$63,200 over three years for staff, materials and equipment to help restore between three and five wetland areas in the Niagara region. Another OTF grant will support this activity.

The Port Colborne Social and Recreation Centre for Senior Citizens

\$6,000 over six months to purchase new furniture in order to ensure the safety and comfort of club members, and install new signage to increase the centre's visibility.

Shaw Festival Theatre Foundation, Canada

\$30,000 to purchase and install a new assistive listening system in the Shaw Festival's three theatres in Niagara-on-the-Lake, increasing the quantity and quality of plays available for individuals with hearing difficulties.

Welland 150th Anniversary Sports Committee c/o Welland Raiders Minor Lacrosse Association

\$33,900 over one year to promote healthy living by providing free access to a variety of sport and recreational clinics for children and youth as part of the 150th anniversary celebration in the City of Welland.

West Lincoln Historical Society

\$10,000 over six months to print and publish a book on the history of the Village of Smithville, which will promote historical interest and preserve a record of the community's past.

The Community grants listed below were ratified on November 1, 2007

Autism Ontario - Niagara Region c/o Autism Society Ontario

\$85,000 over three years to develop and implement more services for individuals from preschool age to adult with Autism Spectrum Disorder in the Niagara Region. Better programs will enable them to improve their social skills and quality of life.

Bethany Mennonite Church

\$15,000 over six months to replace existing handbells and equipment in order to improve the quality of the Niagara Bethany Handbell Choir performances.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Catharines - Thorold & District

\$15,000 over one year to redesign and renovate a portion of the current facility, providing better utilization of administrative and programming space, which will have a positive impact on children, volunteers and staff.

Casa El Norte Refugee Assistance Program

\$15,000 over six months to renovate the existing second storey of the Casa El Norte refuge in order to provide a clean, safe, welcoming and comfortable temporary accommodation for refugee claimants in Fort Erie.

Centre multiservices étude de faisabilité a/s ACFO Niagara

\$25,000 over six months to engage the Francophone community of Niagara in a feasibility study. The project will determine the best way to integrate existing services into a regional Francophone multiservice centre.

The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

\$15,000 over six months to purchase a digital microfilm scanner for the public library. This equipment will allow students, researchers, cultural and historical groups greater access to the unique local history collection of Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Fort Erie Environmental Youth Corp c/o Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks

\$96,000 over three years to develop volunteer activities that will expand environmental awareness and educational opportunities for youth in the Town of Fort Erie.

Garden City Productions

\$12,000 over one year to install a new high-efficiency furnace that will improve the comfort of the theatre building, reduce its fuel consumption and allow it to remain open to the St. Catharines community.

Lyndesfarne Theatre Projects

\$40,000 over two years to hire a part-time artistic director who will support all aspects of the organization's administrative and artistic development. This will help grow and raise awareness of the theatre in St. Catharines.

Mildred M. Mahoney Silver Jubilee Dolls House Foundation

\$10,500 over one year to assist with researching and documenting the history of this museum in celebration of the 25th anniversary of its opening in Fort Erie.

Niagara Falls Red Raiders Basketball Association

\$9,000 over one year to purchase shot clocks and help the association implement International Basketball Federation rules and conform to Basketball Ontario standards at the community level.

Niagara Memorial Militaires Alumni Association Inc.

\$10,000 over one year to purchase performing jackets and musical instruments, which will enhance the drum-and-pipe band's image throughout the community and help promote interest and membership growth.

The Niagara Region Model Flying Club

\$7,500 over one year to make the parking lot more accessible to seniors and people with disabilities. Benches and tables will also be purchased so that all may better enjoy the club's new outdoor space.

Niagara United Mennonite Church

\$12,000 over six months to install multiple automatic door openers, which will ease access into and within the building for persons with physical disabilities and enable the entire community to better know and visit this local heritage.

Pelham Minor Baseball Association

\$5,500 over one year to purchase training equipment that will assist in developing the skills of children and youth playing the sport of baseball in Pelham.

The Port Colborne Operatic Society

\$31,600 over six months to purchase a sound system, which will enhance artistic quality, improve audience satisfaction and contribute to the cultural and artistic needs of the community.

Port Colborne Youth Basketball Association

\$5,000 over one year to purchase shot clocks and help the club implement International Basketball Federation rules and conform to Basketball Ontario standards at the community level.

The St. Catharines and Area Arts Council

\$168,300 over three years to help build the capacity of Niagara's cultural community by enhancing fund-raising skills, training and a shared cultural facility. New education, community art, expressive art and art in public places will be developed.

Small Business Club Niagara

\$66,200 over two years to support Women's Employment Mentoring in Niagara. The program increases the success of women facing barriers to employment by pairing them with professional mentors who will help them navigate a return to the workforce.

Stamford Skating Club

\$50,000 over three years to provide coaching and purchase computer and video equipment. The organization will then be able to better maintain and provide affordable skating programs for children and youth in Niagara Falls.

Suitcase In Point Arts Performances

\$46,000 over two years to hire a general manager who will expand programming, initiate community outreach, provide administrative leadership and build the organizational capacity of this St. Catharines performance ensemble.

Welland Heritage Council and Multicultural Centre

\$130,300 over two years to hire a community development manager who will work with

volunteers, cultural groups and the community to help in the planning and development of a multiuse cultural community centre.

Welland Minor Basketball Association c/o Basketball Ontario

\$7,000 over one year to purchase shot clocks and help the club implement International Basketball Federation rules and conform to Basketball Ontario standards at the community level.

Welland/Pelham Chamber of Commerce

\$72,700 over one year to establish a special events resource centre that will provide support and expertise in volunteer management and house equipment required by not-for-profit organizations to run festivals, events and community programs.

March 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on June 28, 2007

Children's Services Sector Forum c/o Contact Niagara for Children's and Developmental Services

\$216,700 over three years to pilot and evaluate a support program for 30 families with children who have significant mental health issues. It will teach anger management, social skills, child development and parenting and provide respite care.

Church of St. John the Evangelist (Niagara Falls)

\$45,000 toward replacing the roof on the meeting-facilities building attached to the church. This will help provide a safer and more comfortable meeting space for a variety of community groups.

Community Living - Fort Erie

\$15,000 over six months to purchase a fuel-efficient vehicle, which will provide transportation to help people with developmental disabilities take advantage of employment and education opportunities.

Corporation of the Town of Pelham

\$34,900 over one year to review existing volunteer policies, recruit and develop volunteer groups and examine current programs for seniors. Seniors will be surveyed about their needs and sustainable programs will be developed to address them.

Corporation of the Township of Wainfleet

\$50,000 over one year to purchase an ice-re-surfacing machine, which will benefit numerous community groups that use the Wainfleet Arena for recreation.

Employment Resource Network c/o Employment Help Centre

\$39,000 over one year to purchase new computers and software, which will provide better tools to help Niagara-area clients in their job searches.

The Essential Collective Theatre

\$47,000 over two years to further develop an original, contemporary theatre program in Niagara.

The project will feature a three-play season premiering new works by local artists at the Carousel Players Studio Theatre in St. Catharines.

The Fergie Jenkins Foundation

\$14,600 over one year to purchase new technology, which will enhance operational efficiencies and broaden learning opportunities for youth interns in Niagara.

Grimsby Garden Club

\$4,700 over one year to purchase a computer and office equipment that will enable the club to be more effective. Multimedia presentations will be created and stored, a website developed and information management improved.

Hungarian Self Culture Society

\$15,000 over one year to renovate the washrooms in this community hall facility, which promotes Hungarian culture, arts and heritage in Welland.

Jordan Lions Ringette Association Inc.

\$7,000 over one year to purchase equipment that will assist in the growth and accessibility of the game of ringette and help develop the skills of players.

Jordan Skating Club

\$8,600 over six months to purchase a copier, audiovisual training equipment and a jumping harness, which will enhance operational effectiveness and increase the quality and safety of skater training in Lincoln.

Niagara Falls International Marathon Inc.

\$43,300 over one year to renovate office space for staff and volunteers and hire a full-time office assistant. Operational effectiveness will be enhanced and community participation increased in Niagara Falls marathon activities.

Niagara Peninsula Homes Inc.

\$15,000 over six months to replace the organization's computer and telephone systems. Improvements will help build organizational capacity and efficiency in co-ordinating, maintaining and managing supportive housing programs and services in Niagara.

Resource Association for Teens

\$75,000 to provide telecommunications, information systems, security monitoring and kitchen upgrades. Enhancements will enable this newly opened location to better support homeless and potentially homeless youth in Niagara.

Royal Canadian Legion Frontier Branch 71

\$60,000 over six months to improve accessibility and replace the air conditioning and heating systems in this facility, which provides a community gathering place that supports activities, social events and meetings in Fort Erie.

Scouts Canada - Tri-Shores Region

\$23,200 over six months for accessibility improvements and pool repairs at Camp Wetaskiwin in St. Catharines to maintain the facility. (An additional grant of \$51,500 to Essex, Kent and Lambton area will support this activity.)

St. Catharines Minor Lacrosse Association

\$3,900 over six months to purchase player and goalie equipment, which will help enhance the quality and safety of the lacrosse program in St. Catharines.

St. Catharines Rowing Club

\$50,000 over six months to purchase new rowing shells, which will be used primarily for the youth rowing school and adult recreational league programs in Niagara.

TALK - Teams of Adults Listening to Kids c/o Niagara Pride Support Services

\$224,800 over three years for communication materials, administrative costs and a project co-ordinator. Safer schools and communities will then be maintained by promoting discussion and addressing youth victimization in Niagara.

Welland Canals Parkway Mural Collaborative c/o Friends of the Greater Niagara Circle Route

\$39,000 over two years to support the services of a graphic artist and complete the last eight murals depicting the history of the four canals and Thorold with the goal of increasing tourist and community use of the trail.

West Niagara Second Stage Housing and Counselling Inc.

\$80,000 over two years to hire a full-time executive administrator who will manage the administrative, development and fundraising programs needed to enhance the success and viability of programs and operations in West Niagara.

Niagara

2008-2009

November 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on March 6, 2009

Accessible Niagara Project - Ontario March of Dimes Niagara Chapter c/o Ontario March of Dimes

\$31,000 over two years to update the Accessible Niagara.com website, develop an on-line assessment tool for people with disabilities to audit tourism-related venues and produce an educational DVD about accessible tourism for service providers.

Auberge Richelieu

\$20,500 over six months to help replace the floor in the kitchen and hall of this facility in Welland. This will allow all community members to enjoy social and recreational activities in a safer and more comfortable environment.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Catharines - Thorold & District

\$85,600 over three years to support teens as mentors for elementary school-aged children. The program encourages leadership development, improved academic success, enhanced self-esteem and includes homework clubs and a co-op placement program.

Club Social Inc.

\$36,400 over one year to hire a full-time co-ordinator to help the club expand programming and operating hours. The organization will then recruit and train volunteers to support the delivery of services to the francophone community in Niagara.

Community Care of West Niagara

\$89,100 over 30 months to hire a full-time resource manager to enhance the adult and youth volunteer base, manage the warehouse, increase food-and-clothing acquisitions and fundraising to better meet the needs of its increasing number of clients.

Community Living - Fort Erie

\$15,000 over one year to enhance the technological capacity of the organization by purchasing computer equipment that enable it to improve its operational effectiveness and efficiency.

Corporation of the Town of Pelham

\$37,200 over one year to complete accessibility improvements to the library in order to meet barrier-free design requirements and enable community members of all abilities to participate in activities.

Habitat for Humanity Niagara

\$97,200 over two years to hire a staff person who will assist with administrative, fundraising and volunteer functions that facilitate homebuilding. A consultant will also be retained and equipment purchased to enhance fund development and marketing.

Heartland Forest Nature Experience

\$38,500 over one year to develop a business plan and provide barrier-free outdoor recreational and educational opportunities to children, youth and the general public in Niagara through the Forest Discovery Program.

In the Orchard Programming for the Arts

\$16,000 over one year to deliver multidisciplinary after-school arts programs that builds confidence, awareness and life skills for youth in the Town of Pelham.

Italo Canadian Club of Fort Erie Inc.

\$50,000 over nine months to complete accessibility renovations to the community hall located in Fort Erie. The project will benefit cultural, recreational and community groups utilizing the facility.

Mainstream: An Unsheltered Workshop

\$57,500 over two years to expand the graffiti-removal training program in St. Catharines. The project will reduce graffiti, educate young people about its negative effects and provide meaningful employment for adults with developmental disabilities.

Niagara Eco-Inclusion Initiative c/o Land Care Niagara

\$106,000 over two years for the Niagara Eco Program, which removes barriers to community participation and provides skills training to volunteer work crews while assisting local organizations with environmental projects.

Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre

\$27,200 over one year to pilot a summer family literacy program, which will help junior kindergarten children from a family of schools which are identified with delayed emergent-literacy skills to better prepare for school and academic success.

Niagara Pride Support Services

\$73,000 over one year to provide training to agencies that support clients, and ensure a safer community for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth in Niagara.

Port Colborne Community Association for Resource Extension

\$15,000 over one year to renovate the entrance and washrooms of this facility, which will make its employment and social programs fully accessible to members of all abilities in the community.

The Port Colborne Operatic Society

\$15,000 over one year for a new roof and washroom renovations at this production and rehearsal facility. Capital improvements will assist in sustaining the quality and standard of performances.

PoultryFest Niagara

\$20,000 over two years to promote the festival, which will increase attendance at the annual community celebration.

Project Green Program c/o Niagara Peninsula Community Resource Centre

\$140,000 over two years to support staffing, energy audits and educational resources needed for this integrated social-housing, employment training and environmental conservation program.

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 479 - Niagara Falls

\$66,700 over one year to upgrade the heating and air-conditioning system of the facility, which will result in energy savings and increased utilization by community groups.

The School of Restoration Arts at Willowbank

\$150,000 over two years to establish a documentation program to preserve essential information about historic and culturally significant places in Niagara. The program will provide summer employment to students who will record key information.

Les Social Silver Jammer's a/s Club Social Inc.

\$5,000 over one year to buy new musical equipment and allow the Social Silver Jammers to continue their French-language and folklore musical performances for seniors across the Niagara peninsula.

Welland Historical Museum

\$30,000 over two years to provide operational funds, which will enhance educational, historical and cultural programming for tourists and families in Welland.

Welland International Flatwater Centre Collaborative c/o Welland Recreational Canal Corporation

\$77,100 over two years to support infrastructure development, purchase equipment and build the organization's capacity as a premiere event hosting and training site for flatwater sports in the province. (Another OTF grant will support this activity).

July 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on October 30, 2008

The Beachcombers Senior Citizen Association

\$23,600 over one year to purchase equipment that will expand recreational and arts programs. Repairs will be made to the organization's building that will increase energy efficiency and enhance seniors' comfort at this community centre in Ridgeway.

Beamsville Senior Citizens' Club

\$9,000 over one year to purchase musical, fitness and recreational equipment, which will help increase membership and enable seniors in Lincoln to remain healthy and active.

Canadian Red Cross Niagara Region c/o Canadian Red Cross Ontario Zone

\$64,300 over two years to train disaster management volunteers. These volunteers will deliver emergency aid, manage emergency shelters and deliver emergency preparedness workshops.

Chorus Niagara

\$15,000 toward the purchase of a new riser system that is safer, portable and lightweight. The equipment will accommodate up to 150 choristers so they may perform at a wider array of community events and will be shared with other community groups.

Community Kids Quest c/o Fort Erie Multicultural Centre

\$52,500 over three years for a co-ordinator to expand the Kids Quest after-school homework

and tutoring program. Volunteers will be recruited so more children may participate in this program that enhances literacy, numeracy and social development.

Community Outreach Program Erie

\$5,000 to repair the roof of the group's office and program facility. This will improve its safety and comfort so that more help can be immediately provided to individuals who need food, shelter and social support in Fort Erie.

Downtown Alliance for the Performing Arts (DAPA), St. Catharines c/o Carousel Players

\$10,000 over six months for advertising and promotion costs to develop the Courthouse Arts Pass program. This collaboration of six theatre and dance companies will organize cultural events and improve public attendance.

Goodwill Industries Niagara

\$150,000 over three years to hire a manager and upgrade the washrooms, floors and electrical work at the Stokes Community Village in St. Catharines. This will also help recruit volunteers and provide employment services to the community.

Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Welland

\$75,000 over six months to repair the gymnasium roof and install energy-efficient windows and doors in the community-use sections of the church. These will ensure safer and more comfortable use of this community gathering place.

Neto Hatinakwe Onkwehowe Native Arts

\$65,300 over 18 months for a researcher, writer and graphic designer. An Aboriginal arts-and-culture education program will be developed and delivered to the community at large in Niagara.

Niagara Antique Power Association Inc.

\$33,200 over one year to repair and upgrade equipment and the association's tractor. These improvements will reduce operating costs and enable greater use of this community facility that showcases Niagara's agricultural heritage.

Niagara Environmental Task Force (NEST) Collaboration c/o Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks (FOFEC)

\$20,500 over one year for a co-ordinator, website development costs and expenses. Organizational-development workshops will be held and a web-based information portal designed to link all the environmental groups in the Niagara region.

The Optimist Club of Grantham, St. Catharines, Ontario

\$68,700 over six months to repair the roof and install an energy-efficient heating/cooling system in the club's facility. This will ensure the safer and continued use of the building by community groups.

The Port Colborne Social and Recreation Centre for Senior Citizens

\$9,500 to purchase equipment for the woodworking program, which provides an enjoyable leisure activity and social opportunity for seniors.

Red Roof Retreat

\$106,800 over two years to hire staff for the respite and therapeutic riding programs. This will enable more and better programming to be offered to children and youth living with special needs and their families in Niagara.

Talking About Mental Illness (TAMI) c/o Canadian Mental Health Association

\$111,900 over three years for a project co-ordinator, resources and equipment to expand this program's delivery to secondary school students in Niagara. Youth will become more aware of mental illness and the stigma surrounding it.

Thorold Community Activities Group

\$48,200 over one year to complete renovations to the kitchen, meeting room and washrooms of this community centre. The upgrades will provide additional space so that more programs, sports and activities can be offered to the community.

March 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on June 26, 2008.

The Adult Literacy Council of Greater Fort Erie

\$66,900 over 30 months for a program assistant and a computer to support training programs. These additions will enable the Adult Literacy Council to meet increasing demands for literacy support and training in Fort Erie.

Brain Injury Services of Hamilton, Haldimand-Norfolk, Niagara (BISH)

\$56,500 over nine months to install a vertical platform lift, which will make consumer programs and training in this supportive facility in Vineland fully accessible to all members of the community.

Celebrate Old Downtown Community Corp.

\$70,000 over nine months for street performers and equipment rentals for the inaugural Daredevil Days Busker Fest. The festival will provide entertainment for the community and assist in the downtown revitalization of Niagara Falls.

Club social inc.

\$15,000 over six months to paint the facility and replace washroom fixtures with new and more efficient water-saving models. The new upgrades will make this Francophone banquet hall in Welland more appealing and help it to increase rentals.

Grimsby Affordable Housing Partnership

\$93,200 over two years to hire a co-ordinator who will ensure that those in need of supportive housing receive access to the pool of local resources. These services will help them as they move to self-sufficiency and secured housing.

Head Injury Association of Fort Erie

\$2,900 over six months to replace the furnace in the facility, which will allow the organization to continue delivering services to individuals with acquired brain injuries in Fort Erie.

Niagara Community Foundation

\$81,100 over two years to hire a manager of community initiatives. A community investment strategy and an integrated information management system will be developed and implemented to improve the efficiency of this philanthropic organization.

Niagara Concerts

\$15,000 over six months to improve the stage lighting system of the Niagara Centre for the Arts in Niagara Falls. This will enable greater use of this multiuse performance facility by numerous public and private cultural groups.

Niagara Falls Art Gallery - The Passion of Christ William Kurelek Art Collection

\$115,600 over three years to develop a community arts program in Welland. Children's art classes will be delivered, a public art gallery established and the Kids Arts Day program will be able to continue.

Niagara Falls Lions Club

\$75,000 over one year to install a fully accessible children's splash pad at Niagara Falls Lions Club community park. This addition will provide free, informal recreation opportunities for children and families and attract more visitors to the park.

Niagara Regional Literacy Council

\$41,400 over two years for administration and office equipment to support the ongoing operation of the learning centre. These additions will enable the organization to meet increasing demands for literacy support and training in St. Catharines.

Niagara Regional Police Pipes and Drums Inc.

\$15,000 over nine months to purchase musical instruments that will enhance the drum and pipe band's image throughout the community and support its youth mentorship program.

Niagara River Restoration Council (NRC)

\$97,400 over two years for staff, tree-planting and signage to help preserve the Thorold-Lake Gibson Natural Heritage Corridor. The biodiversity and ecosystem of the area will then be restored and protected and community education will be provided.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 613 - Fonthill

\$44,200 over nine months to renovate the main community hall and kitchen, and purchase appliances and equipment. These upgrades will enhance the facility, which is utilized extensively by community organizations in the Town of Pelham.

SOFIFRAN (Solidarité des femmes immigrantes francophones du Niagara)

\$160,000 over three years for a co-ordinator, publicity and office expenses. A support service agency will then be created that will offer educational services, arts and social programs and a support network to Francophone immigrant women in Niagara.

St. Barnabas Anglican Church

\$15,000 over six months to construct accessible washrooms in the church's community hall, which is used to provide social and recreational programs to a neighbourhood at risk in St. Catharines.

St. Catharines Curling Club

\$25,200 over nine months to purchase and install new ice-cooling equipment. This upgrade will maintain the ice surface so that curling can continue to be offered to all members of the community in St. Catharines.

Thorold Community Theatre

\$29,600 over nine months for sound equipment, a billboard and multipurpose theatre seating.

These purchases will enhance the quality of performances and increase community usage of the Nick Basciano Community Centre in Thorold.

Waking the Sleeping Dragon Initiative c/o Breast Cancer Research & Education Fund

\$20,000 over one year to purchase a dragon boat for the Breast Cancer Survivor Team of Niagara. This purchase will allow them to train regularly and compete, while creating a feeling of harmony and togetherness that will improve their well-being.

Welland Lions Club

\$31,600 over nine months to purchase a lawn tractor, furniture and a furnace for this club's facility. These additions will help it reduce costs, improve efficiency and continue providing an important meeting place for the community.

Winter Festival of Lights

\$64,800 over two years for a co-ordinator who will expand funding opportunities. The festival's operational effectiveness will then be enhanced and the organization will be able to deliver additional programming to the Niagara community.

YWCA of St. Catharines

\$25,000 over one year to assist in bringing the Beautiful Women Project exhibit and associated workshops to the Niagara region. The program will help to increase understanding, awareness and self-confidence about appropriate body image.

Niagara

2009-2010

November 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on March 4, 2010

Canadian Chamber Academy

\$15,000 over nine months to purchase staging and lighting equipment, which will enhance musical performances at venues throughout Niagara.

Canadian Henley Regatta Joint Commission Corp.

\$50,000 over one year to purchase and install an accessible rowing dock and ramp, which will benefit thousands of recreational and competitive rowers utilizing the facility at Henley Island in St. Catharines.

Christ Community Church of Welland Inc.

\$40,000 over six months to install a new elevator lift in this community facility in Welland, which will make it safer and more accessible for people of all abilities to take part in activities and gain access to services.

Club 2000 Niagara Inc.

\$126,700 over two years to hire a co-ordinator for three co-operatives in Niagara Region that will grow exotic foods, distribute produce and operate a farming incubator. Francophone immigrants will benefit from employment opportunities, skills development and training.

Community Living Grimsby, Lincoln and West Lincoln

\$31,500 over one year to purchase computer equipment, train volunteers and produce communication materials. Public awareness of community agencies and the number of volunteers working with people with intellectual disabilities in Niagara will then increase.

Community Living Port Colborne~Wainfleet

\$50,000 over nine months to purchase an accessible 16-passenger minibus, which will make it possible for children and adults of all abilities to access a variety of community programs.

First Baptist Church

\$49,800 over nine months to repair the gymnasium roof at the community hall, which will ensure continued access to community space for recreational and cultural activities in Welland.

Jordan Skating Club

\$4,900 over nine months to purchase office technology and renovate the skating club room, which provides office, storage and meeting space for user groups in Jordan Arena.

Lincoln Minor Hockey Association

\$15,500 over one year to provide training clinics and purchase on- and off-ice equipment, which will support an effective training and development plan that benefits 500 players and coaches in Lincoln.

Niagara Acro Cats Gymnastics Inc

\$20,000 over nine months to purchase a gymnastic floor, which will improve the safety and

quality of participation for recreational and competitive gymnasts and create additional opportunities to bring high-level competitions to Niagara Falls.

Niagara Historical Society

\$11,700 over one year to design an interactive multimedia exhibit that will showcase Niagara's rich heritage and history leading up to the War of 1812.

Niagara Olympic Wrestling Club

\$25,000 over nine months to purchase wrestling mats, which will enhance opportunities for the organization to host events and increase access to quality sport programming for youth throughout Niagara.

Niagara Storm Football Club

\$20,000 over nine months to purchase equipment in order to establish two additional football teams. This will improve player safety and training and help promote healthy activity for young people aged 13 to 17 years in the community.

Niagara Varsity Football Club Inc.

\$20,000 over nine months to purchase equipment in order to establish a peewee varsity football team. This will improve safety and training for players and promote healthy activity for young people aged 13 to 14 years in the community.

Ontario Association of Youth Employment Centres

\$149,300 over two years to hire staff and purchase equipment to evaluate Project Turning Around, an program that seeks to increase students' basic education, self-esteem and life-coping skills. A model will be sought to influence student retention programs across the province.

Primavera Concerts Incorporated

\$17,800 over two years to acquire new technology and hire a part-time administrator who will help to successfully promote and manage chamber, choral, vocal and instrumental music concerts by notable artists based in St. Catharines.

Rotary Club of Lincoln Foundation Inc.

\$14,500 over one year to obtain rented sound equipment and entertainment for the free outdoor summer-concert series at Charles Daley Park. These events will help promote culture, art and entertainment activities for the entire community in Lincoln.

The Bethlehem Not-For-Profit Housing Projects of Niagara

\$70,800 over two years to hire a co-ordinator who will ensure that tenants of a new 40-unit low-income housing facility in Niagara Falls have the necessary support services to improve the quality of life for their children and themselves.

The Fergie Jenkins Foundation

\$10,000 over nine months to renovate the second floor of the organization's facility. This will create workplace and training space that will be used to enhance the skills of youth interns and volunteers supporting community organizations in Niagara.

The Optimist Club of Grantham, St. Catharines, Ontario

\$65,000 over one year to construct an accessible pathway around Optimist Park in St. Catharines, which will provide barrier-free access to park activities and a fitness trail for local community members to enjoy.

Town of Lincoln Concert Band

\$4,500 over nine months to purchase a sound system, which will enhance the quality of concert performances throughout Niagara.

Trinity United Church

\$33,700 over nine months to construct an accessible entrance and washroom in the community hall, which will enhance access to programs for people of all ages and abilities in Thorold.

Twenty Valley Tourism Association

\$47,000 over two years to develop an innovative volunteer recruitment-and-management program that is based on rewards. This will produce greater incentives for youth and adult volunteers to support cultural festivals and events in Lincoln.

YMCA of Niagara

\$137,900 over two years to hire staff, renovate facilities and develop the YMCA Healthy Kids Centre program. This new initiative will address childhood obesity by offering fitness, recreation and weight-management programs and services to children and their families.

July 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors on November 2nd, 2009**Adolescent's Family Support Services of Niagara**

\$45,400 over six months to repair the roof of the community facility enabling vulnerable children and families to receive ongoing support services in Welland.

Alzheimer Society of Niagara Region

\$50,000 over 15 months to develop and pilot an activity program for individuals with early stage dementia. Clients will participate in the development of the program to address their needs.

Carolinian Canada Coalition

\$30,000 over three years to establish a Lake Erie Carolinian Coastal Trail System to help save coastal species, habitats and ecosystems at risk in communities along the north coast of Lake Erie. (Other OTF grants support this project.)

Carousel Players

\$12,000 for health and safety improvements in the performance and rehearsal areas of the arts centre in St. Catharines, which will assist in sustaining the quality and standard of performances.

Le Centre polyvalent des aînés francophones de Port Colborne

\$41,000 over two years for renovations that will make the centre safer and more enjoyable for Francophone seniors in the region and the general public.

Corporation of the City of Thorold

\$10,900 to increase physical and social activity among members of this seniors recreational club by purchasing new furniture, technology and recreation equipment.

Corporation of the Township of Wainfleet

\$50,000 over one year to install an accessible playground at the Wainfleet Sports Complex for children of all abilities and their families to use.

Early Childhood Community Development Centre

\$132,100 over two years to support children's early numeracy development by providing early math skills and training kits for trained child care workers and community volunteers to use at 150 licensed child care centres in Niagara.

Fort Erie Boys and Girls Centre c/o Boys and Girls Club of Niagara

\$115,000 over one year to develop a multiservice community facility that houses several community agencies and provides recreational and cultural programs for children and adults in Fort Erie.

Gateway Residential and Community Support Services of Niagara Inc.

\$41,300 over two years to support the Good Food Box Program, an alternative, community-based, food-distribution system that provides a variety of quality food at an affordable price for families and individuals in Welland.

It's Great to Skate Collaborative c/o Winter Festival of Lights

\$15,000 to provide equipment for the artificial skating rink located at the brink of Niagara Falls. Revenue will be generated through rentals, and community groups serving children will be given complimentary use of helmets and skates.

Niagara 1812 Bicentennial Legacy Council Corporation

\$90,000 over two years to co-ordinate the 1812-2012 bicentennial celebration in Niagara Region. A full spectrum of events and activities will mark 200 years since the conflict and the resulting peaceful coexistence between Canada and the U.S.

Niagara Age-Friendly Community Collaborative c/o Rose City Seniors Centre Foundation

\$222,900 over three years to hire a co-ordinator to develop and lead an initiative that will involve the Niagara community in making and implementing action plans to become an age-friendly community.

Niagara Artists' Company

\$190,500 over three years for staff who will enhance the company's sustainability by increasing audience sizes, members, volunteers and funding. This will enable it to contribute meaningfully to the arts-led transformation of downtown St. Catharines.

Niagara Falls Music Theatre Society

\$15,000 to improve the stage lighting system of the Firehall Theatre in Niagara Falls. This will permit greater use of this multiuse performance facility by numerous public and private cultural groups.

Niagara Land Trust Foundation

\$9,400 to provide technology and equipment for the land trust office, which will help it to provide permanent protection of natural heritage lands within the Niagara Region.

Niagara Regional Native Centre

\$63,400 over one year to hire a capacity development officer, who will develop a strategic sustainability plan for the centre. This will help it ready itself to implement a successful ongoing development program.

Niagara Thunder Basketball Club Inc.

\$8,500 to purchase training and other program equipment to improve the overall development of young basketball players in the Grimsby area.

The Peninsula Field Naturalists

\$10,000 to help cover production costs of the book Niagara Birds, an educational resource highlighting 375 wild bird species found in Niagara.

The Port Colborne Social and Recreation Centre for Senior Citizens

\$14,600 to install energy efficient lighting and doors and fitness-training equipment in this facility, which will ensure safer and continued use of the centre by seniors in Port Colborne.

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 4 - Welland

\$70,800 over six months to construct barrier-free washrooms and install an energy-efficient heating system, which will promote greater use of this multiuse community facility located in Welland.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 418 - St. Catharines

\$15,000 to repair the roof of this community centre, which will ensure its safe and continued use for meeting and recreational activities by groups in St. Catharines.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 613 - Fonthill

\$8,700 to construct fully accessible washrooms in the facility, which will ensure the safe and continued use of it by community groups and people of all abilities in Pelham.

Soil: Niagara's Homegrown Arts Festival c/o St. Catharines and Area Arts Council

\$17,000 over one year to hire a part-time project manager to co-ordinate the region's first multidisciplinary arts festival, which will showcase the outstanding and original creative talents of the region.

March 1 deadline

Ratified by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Board of Directors June 25th 2009**79 Lynton Davies (Air Cadet) Squadron Parent Sponsoring Committee**

\$30,000 over one year to repair water damage to the training facility in Port Colborne. Interest in the air cadets program will increase and youth will have space for fitness, leadership and citizenship activities.

Brain Injury Association of Niagara

\$22,900 over one year to publish a book filled with inspirational stories from survivors of acquired brain injuries who reside in Niagara. This will inspire survivors and caregivers, and help to raise funds for the organization.

The Child Advocacy Centre of Niagara

\$60,000 over two years to hire a program administrator who will engage the community and identify partners to develop a workable shared-space, shared-service model for the agency.

Community Living St. Catharines

\$69,000 over six months for the purchase of two vans needed to expand the accessible transportation program. The vans will be used to transport clients to appointments, training programs, recreational programs and employment opportunities.

Fort Erie Lafrance Association

\$9,000 over one year to replace the furnaces in the firefighter museum, which is home to a rare collection of antique fire trucks and equipment.

Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre

\$44,600 over one year to install a high-efficiency heating unit in the multipurpose hall. The facility is regularly used by the Aboriginal and general community for recreational, social and ceremonial programs.

Heart Niagara Inc.

\$144,000 over two years for a project manager, marketing and office support to create a regional sport council in Niagara. The council will facilitate and co-ordinate interdependence among local private and public sports organizations.

Interactive Niagara Media Cluster

\$54,300 over one year for a game designer, graphic designer and programmers to create a hybrid, downloadable reality game related to the War of 1812. This will help to develop interactive media as an economic and employment generator for Niagara.

Niagara Concerts

\$15,000 over one year to replace the black stage draperies and purchase a new backdrop. These additions will properly equip this performing arts facility in Niagara Falls, making it safer, more adaptable and more engaging to audiences.

Niagara Grape and Wine Festival

\$24,700 over six months to purchase new computers and a telephone system for the festival's new facility, which will improve the organization's ability to service customers and communicate with stakeholders and tourists.

The Niagara Memorial Militaires Alumni Drum Corps Inc.

\$5,000 over one year to purchase musical instruments for this marching band in St. Catharines. The additions will help to encourage membership growth, especially among youth, and enhance its community service and volunteer performances.

Niagara Regional Athletics

\$22,100 over one year to purchase pole-vault and throwing equipment, which will enhance performances and safety and allow athletes to train and compete in a larger variety of track and field events.

Niagara Research and Planning Council c/o Niagara Community Foundation

\$125,000 over two years to hire a full-time director who will help to identify key issues and social and economic trends emerging in the community, provide access to relevant and reliable Niagara-based research, and engage in collective action.

The Niagara Symphony Association

\$138,500 over three years for a resource development associate and computer technology to help the organization generate new revenue sources, increase volunteerism, develop new marketing and branding strategies and improve box office administration.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 230 Ridgeway

\$32,500 over six months to repair the roof and refinish the floor of the main hall. These upgrades will help ensure a safer and more comfortable facility for community programs and activities.

SFOHG Régionale du Niagara a/s Société franco-ontarienne d'histoire et de généalogie

\$23,000 over one year for staffing and equipment costs to create an on-line database of

resources and an easy-to-use search tool to help all users locate historical documents more simply.

St. Alexander's Church

\$12,400 over one year to install an audio-video system in the community hall in Fonthill. This will enable greater use of the facility for community workshops, youth activities and service club meetings.

St. Catharines Rowing Club

\$39,900 over one year to purchase rowing shells, which will increase access to the sport and create opportunities for a growing number of recreational and competitive rowers in St. Catharines.

Treblaires Show Choir

\$9,000 over one year to purchase staging boxes and sound equipment for this women's choir in Fonthill. These upgrades will expand community outreach to additional venues and audiences, with better sound quality.

Wayside House of St. Catharines

\$54,200 over one year to replace the roof and windows of this addictions rehabilitation facility. These upgrades will improve energy-efficiency, reduce operating costs and enhance service delivery.

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128 Thorold Squadron, Royal Canadian Air Cadets Sponsoring Committee

\$10,000 over one year to purchase musical equipment which will provide Thorold youth aged 12 to 18 with a free opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument.

613 Lincoln And Welland Regiment Army Cadets

\$9,900 over four months to purchase camping equipment that will enable the safe participation of Niagara Army Cadets in more recreational activities and programs. These programs promote healthy living, develop responsible leadership and create interest in the land, sea and air elements of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Adolescent's Family Support Services of Niagara

\$10,400 over one year to repair the heating and air conditioning system and install push button doors to ensure comfortable and universal access to the programs delivered at the Welland facility.

Boys and Girls Club of Niagara

\$150,000 over two years to hire an assistant manager, enhance technological capacity and purchase recreational equipment for the new multi- service community facility that provides affordable access to social and recreational programming for children and adults in Niagara Falls.

Canadian Wheelchair Basketball Association, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$50,000 over one year to support the International Wheelchair Basketball Federation's first-ever Women's Under-25 World Wheelchair Basketball Championships to be held July 17 to 23, 2011 at Brock University. This event will increase the sport participation levels of young women with physical disabilities and includes a mentorship program that will have impact across Ontario. This grant has an impact in more than one OTF catchment area.

Community Living Fort Erie

\$15,000 over one year to purchase a vehicle which will assist in the transportation of people with intellectual disabilities residing in a Community Living Fort Erie property. Accessibility modifications will be made to the vehicle to ensure access to all residents.

Early Childhood Community Development Centre, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$70,000 over one year to create Parent Direct Niagara (www.parentdirectniagara.ca), a one-stop online parent directory that will provide access to information on programs, services and resources available in Niagara to families with children up to age 6.

Folk Arts Council of St. Catharines

\$33,800 over one year to provide staffing, marketing, equipment and administrative support to Canada's oldest heritage festival. Showcasing the rich blend of cultures of Niagara, this festival

will become more efficient in its day-to-day operations, increase community participation and grow its volunteer base and cultural club membership.

Grimsby Affordable Housing Partnership

\$94,100 over two years to hire a project coordinator who will implement the strategic plan, coordinate service delivery, build collaborative relationships, and support fundraising activities. This work will assist individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency and secure housing.

Hope Furniture Bank

\$15,000 over one year to purchase a vehicle that will increase the volunteer and service capacity of the organization to deliver and pick up furniture for residents in need in the Niagara Region.

Jericho House, Youth Leadership, Justice and Spirituality Centre

\$15,000 over one year to purchase and install audiovisual equipment and seating that will make the Jericho House in Wainfleet a better centre to facilitate and host presentations, programs and events for all ages.

Lyndesfarne Theatre Projects, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$40,000 over one year to produce the first annual International Busker Festival, a free community event which will showcase in downtown St. Catharines the talents of international, national and local street performers, musicians and theatre artists.

Mental Health Rights Coalition, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$56,600 over two years to pilot and evaluate the use of WRAP, a self-management and recovery tool, to determine if the tool averts crises, medical interventions and hospitalizations. Volunteers and staff will be trained in the use of WRAP and 400 people experiencing mental illnesses in Hamilton and Niagara will be served. This grant has an impact in more than one OTF catchment area.

Niagara Chapter Native Women Inc.

\$42,300 over one year to develop a long-term operational plan that will increase the organization's capacity to identify and sustain services for Aboriginal women in Niagara.

Niagara Dance Company

\$35,800 over two years to hire a part-time artistic director to build the overall artistic and administrative capacity of the company, increase participation levels in all programs and improve community access to contemporary dance in St. Catharines.

Niagara Nitros Speed Skating Club

\$24,800 over one year to provide safety mats and speed skates for the Niagara-based club, which will increase access and improve safety of children and youth interested in learning a new physical activity.

Niagara Regional Science and Engineering Fair

\$25,600 over three years to broaden the learning experiences of youth in Grades 6 to 12 by offering access to a range of enriching and engaging science and engineering activities throughout Niagara. Activities include workshops, a science fair and a community outreach program.

North Bay Soup Kitchen Inc., as lead organization on this collaborative

\$115,800 over two years to expand the Coach4Food program, in which minor hockey teams get skills drills training in exchange for food or monetary donations to local food banks. The

initiative, in Niagara, Guelph, Caledon-Dufferin, Thames Valley, Ottawa, and North Bay, will increase the capacity of food banks, boost players' and coaches' skills, and build community partnership between food banks, businesses, hockey teams, and the media. A resource guide and website will provide a template for other organizations run similar initiatives. This grant has an impact in more than one OTF catchment area.

Paroisse St-Jean-de-Brébeuf

\$75,000 over four months to renovate the roof which will reduce heating costs and make a safer, more comfortable community hall for events in Port Colborne.

Project S.H.A.R.E. of Niagara Falls Inc.

\$111,300 over three years to hire a healthy communities coordinator who will provide knowledge of nutritious food choices, deliver food preparation and storage workshops and increase the supply of fresh produce to families with low incomes in Niagara Falls.

The Niagara District Homes Committee for the Physically Disabled

\$18,700 over one year to create an accessible, outdoor enclosure that will provide visual access to the forest, gardens and wildlife in the area for persons with physical disabilities living in Welland.

Thorold Community Activities Group

\$16,400 over six months to replace windows, upgrade locks and install a new phone system that will make the facility safer and better able to provide community programs and events in Thorold.

Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

\$60,000 over one year to hire a community centre coordinator and purchase sports, fitness and audiovisual equipment which will enhance programming in the multi-purpose and multi-generational community centre.

Township of West Lincoln

\$24,500 over one year to hire a part-time arts coordinator to engage rural youth in community arts programming. A youth advisory board will be established to plan and develop a week-long youth arts event, as well the coordinator will expand the Music-in-the-Park summer concert series in West Lincoln.

United Way of South Niagara

\$30,000 over one year to engage in a community consultation that will establish a five-year funding plan with funding priorities and an evaluation framework. This work will enhance the agency's capacity to support and evaluate outcomes for programs delivered in Welland, Port Colborne, Pelham and Wainfleet.

Welland Historical Society, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$15,000 over one year to initiate four projects in the Welland area to commemorate the Bicentennial of the War of 1812 and in particular, the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Cook's Mills, the last land battle of the war fought in the Niagara Peninsula.

Welland Recreational Canal Corporation, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$7,400 over one year to develop volunteer resources and expand the number of events held in the Welland recreational waterway, which will enhance sports tourism and increase participation in open-water swimming.

Winter Festival of Lights

\$81,400 over two years to hire a manager who will develop Sportsfest, a winter event that will increase economic activity through expanded sports tourism opportunities in Niagara. The first Sportsfest is planned for January 2012.

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AIDS Niagara

\$15,900 over one year to enhance organizational capacity and program delivery by developing a strategic plan that will establish the overall direction and goals of the organization.

Canadian Chamber Academy

\$40,000 over two years to implement a marketing and fundraising plan and expand the chamber music festival which attracts professional musicians and audiences to Niagara.

Carousel Players

\$45,000 over one year to purchase a new touring van to transport the troupe's actors, sets, costumes and touring equipment throughout the Niagara Region in order to present theatre and arts experiences to children aged four to 14 years.

Community Care St. Catharines and Thorold, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$72,300 over one year to expand the Talk 2 One program which provides unrestricted free access, for those living in poverty or at risk in Ontario, to social-based information and the ability to stay connected to employers, housing providers, case workers, family and friends. This grant has an impact in more than one OTF catchment area.

In the Orchard Programming for the Arts

\$40,000 over two years to deliver multidisciplinary after-school arts programs which build confidence, awareness and life-skills for youth in the Town of Pelham.

Learning Disabilities Association Of Niagara

\$157,300 over three years to offer literacy and social skills programs at low- or no-cost to vulnerable children and youth with learning disabilities in the Niagara region.

Lincoln Community Against Violence

\$70,000 over two years to develop and manage the Farmers Marketplace and Local Life programs which will support the use of local food sources, provide healthy living and eating workshops and increase organizational revenues.

Lyndesfarne Theatre Projects

\$40,000 over two years to hire a resource development manager to provide administrative and fund development support resulting in increased capacity to deliver professional live theatre in Niagara.

Niagara Child and Youth Services, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$6,500 over one year to work with community agencies and Brock University to create a database comprised of all the recent reports and research, completed by Niagara agencies,

government organizations, the university and college, pertaining to the well-being of Niagara's residents.

Niagara Falls Big Brothers Big Sisters Association, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$40,000 over one year to initiate a fund development strategy which will increase revenue and allow the three partner agencies to offer mentoring services to more children and youth in Niagara.

Niagara Hindu Samaj

\$39,800 over two years to expand programming in Indian vocal and instrumental music, language, crafts, dance and cooking and to provide services to youth and seniors at this Niagara Falls community facility.

Niagara Historical Society & Museum, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$20,000 over 18 months to develop a volunteer-delivered theatrical performance set during the War of 1812, a guided walking tour of the historic area and school resources to enable students to learn about domestic and military life in Niagara during this historic period.

Niagara River Restoration Council

\$94,000 over two years to preserve and naturalize the Shorts Hills Park Natural Heritage Corridor in order to restore the biodiversity of the area through ecosystem restoration, protection and community education.

Niagara Sustainability Initiative

\$47,100 over 18 months to support the coordinating resources of this new entrepreneurial organization to increase the number of companies participating in a carbon dioxide (CO₂) reduction program.

Oak Centre; Alternative Community Support

\$86,200 over three years to establish a club house in Port Colborne where people with serious mental health issues can learn new skills, make friends, engage in social activities and obtain employment opportunities.

Port Colborne Association for Resource Extension

\$75,000 over one year to support renovations to make the Reach Out Centre facility accessible and increase its space and storage to serve more residents of Port Colborne.

Rose City - Kids Ministry

\$67,800 over two years to provide free after-school and Saturday programs that provide tutoring support, life skills, social interaction and fun activities for children in Welland.

Shaw Festival Theatre Foundation, Canada

\$44,300 over one year to purchase and install new Assistive Listening Devices system in three Shaw Festival theatres, increasing the quantity and quality of plays available to individuals with hearing difficulties.

St Catharines Catholic Youth Organization Minor Hockey League

\$47,300 over one year to enhance administrative capacity and hockey programming. New technology, hockey equipment and coaching and training clinics will help the 250 volunteer coaches, trainers and administrators improve their skills and the skills of over 1,000 players.

St. Catharines Canadian Polish Society

\$75,000 over one year to repair the roof and install an energy efficient HVAC system, which will ensure the safe and continued use of the facility by local community groups.

Suitcase in Point Theatre Company

\$86,000 over two years to build organizational and fundraising capacity to enable the growth of arts programming and support the In the Soil Festival in St. Catharines.

The Rotary Club of Niagara-on-the-Lake District 7090

\$15,000 over one year to purchase equipment to facilitate and support various festivals and events in the Niagara Region.

United Way of Niagara Falls and Greater Fort Erie

\$15,000 over one year to purchase new computer equipment that will improve administrative efficiency and allow for better communication and service to member communities, volunteers, donors and agencies.

West Lincoln Lawn Bowling Club

\$5,000 over nine months to replace the roof, doors and windows of this rural facility in Smithville. The renovations will increase energy efficiency and lower operational costs of this recreational asset, which is used by several clubs and area schools.

Western Ontario Division of Canoe Kayak Canada, as lead organization on this collaborative

\$52,100 over one year to support the hosting and staging of two Canadian canoe/kayak championship events to be held August 24-28, 2011 at the Welland International Flatwater Centre.

YWCA of St. Catharines

\$15,000 over one year to strengthen the capacity of the organization by expanding its media campaign to assist the women and their families in need in the Niagara region and by purchasing new computer equipment and tools.

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\$62,700 over three years to expand the In School Mentoring and Go Girls! Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds programs in Grimsby, Lincoln and West Lincoln. The programs will help enhance a child's self esteem, increase school performance and offer informed choices about healthy, active living.

Canal Bank Shuffle Blues Festival Inc.

\$17,900 over one year to enhance this music festival in Thorold by purchasing sound and music equipment to attract higher profile musical groups and bands.

CARSA Inc.

\$67,000 over two years to engage students in Grades 7 and 8 of the Niagara Region in a

discussion of over-sexualization, sexual abuse and vulnerabilities. The strategies offered will enhance their quality of life and empower them to deal with these issues in a proactive, safe way.

City of Port Colborne

\$15,000 over nine months to install new signage that will help draw more tourists to cultural and recreational attractions in Port Colborne.

Climate Action Niagara

\$72,200 over three years to raise public awareness about local environmental issues and get Niagara residents involved in urban agriculture and the creation of sustainable community gardens.

Niagara Child and Youth Services

\$116,000 over two years to research a plan to recruit and train more volunteers to support children, youth and their families receiving mental health services in Niagara and serve more children in need.

Niagara Community Foundation , as lead organization on this collaborative

\$43,500 over one year to develop a business plan and model for the Leadership Niagara program that will nurture future local leaders and bring together the public, private and voluntary sectors to address community needs, issues and challenges.

Niagara Land Trust Foundation

\$104,000 over two years to increase operational capacity by hiring an Executive Director to provide leadership in sustainable land stewardship through acquiring and managing environmentally significant lands.

Niagara Resource Service For Youth

\$47,300 over one year to install new windows and complete energy efficient upgrades to the heating and cooling system at the community facility that provides shelter and community services for youth at risk in Niagara.

Niagara Workforce Planning Board

\$104,600 over two years to hire a Regional Youth Strategy Coordinator to work with local government, education and community organizations on employment strategies that will make it easier for youth to choose to live, work and secure their futures in Niagara.

St. Catharines Art Association

\$5,000 over nine months to purchase new presentation technology and exhibit display equipment that will enhance workshops, events and exhibitions for the visual arts community in St. Catharines.

St. Catharines Female Hockey Association Inc.

\$100,900 over three years to improve the skills of female athletes aged 4 to 21 through a long-term player and coaching development plan to improve performance and promote a healthy lifestyle for participants in the Niagara area.

The Niagara Region Model Flying Club

\$3,500 over one year to erect a shelter at the flying field that will provide an accessible, dry, shaded area for members, spectators and visitors to the model airplane field during inclement weather.

The Port Colborne Social and Recreation Centre for Senior Citizens

\$9,700 over nine months to purchase office technology and maintenance equipment that will increase seniors' safety, reduce operating costs and make presentations and information-sharing more enjoyable at the Port Colborne seniors facility.

Wesley United Church

\$51,000 over nine months to replace the roof of the community hall which provides accessible space for numerous social and recreational activities in Welland.

West Niagara Second Stage Housing & Counselling

\$89,400 over two years to hire a Project Manager to develop local partnerships, create a French language website and resources, and make greater use of technology to reach more women in crisis in rural and West Niagara.